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JOCKEY CLUB'S
AMBITION
STABLE SCHEME.
MILLION DOLLARS
TO BE SPENT.

WONGNEICHONG SITE TO
HOUSE 430 PONIES.

THE NEW TAI PING.

Estimated to cost about \$1,000,000, a scheme has been put in hand by the Hongkong Jockey Club for the erection of commodious new stables, administrative buildings, staff quarters and exercise yards on a site covering an area of about 218,000 square feet, situated above Wong Nei Cheong village, and overlooking the Happy Valley racecourse.

When completed, the new premises will take the place of the present stables and yards, which have been proved to be totally inadequate, and it is hoped eventually to sell this old site.

Messrs. Palmer and Turner, who are the architects responsible for laying-out the new site, state that the work should be finished in the course of about ten months, and will offer not only a more convenient access to the racecourse, but more adequate accommodation for the Club's increasing number of ponies and general requirements.

Three Large Blocks.

Two inland lots of Crown land have been acquired for this purpose, and it is proposed to erect new stables, the buildings to consist of three large blocks, the ground and first floors for the accommodation of some 430 ponies, with stables quarters over head.

There is also to be an isolation block for twenty ponies, with a Veterinary Surgeon's room attached. An up-to-date two storey storage building is also to be erected with crushing machine, etc., provided, together with the installation of overhead tracks for lifting gear and handling fodder.

In addition, there will be a block to be used as administrative premises, with residences for the stable manager, and trainers, to which will be attached stores, farrier's shop, garages, stable shops, and staff quarters, these to occupy a position at the top of the site.

Reinforced Concrete.

The buildings will be constructed of reinforced concrete with brick panel walls, and special care is being taken regarding roof insulation and ventilation. The exterior of the buildings are to be treated in white marble plaster.

Exercise yards will also be provided in connexion with each block, and these yards will contain sand baths, drinking troughs, etc.

Mr. C. Bernard Brown, Secretary of the Jockey Club, told a *Telegraph* representative this morning that the provision of new stables and accommodation was absolutely essential, as the present site was out-of-date, and had gone too far to be patched up. The Club was at the moment forced to use makeshifts to provide sufficient accommodation. The Club hoped to sell the existing stables as soon as the new premises were ready for use.

New Tai Ping Theatre.

Messrs. Palmer and Turner have also put in hand plans for the re-building of the Tai Ping Theatre in Des Voeux Road West. The present building has been in existence for nearly forty years, and it has been decided to pull it down and entirely remodel the theatre on more modern lines.

Reinforced concrete is to be used and the theatre is to be built to suit the requirements of Chinese stage plays and cinematographic performances. In addition to stalls, accommodation is being made for a dress circle and gallery, and the new theatre will seat 2,600 people. The work is to be put in hand immediately—the theatre being already in a state of demolition.

DOLLAR'S SLIDE CONTINUES.

EXCHANGE MARKET GROWS
PANICKY.

A WEAK UNDERTONE.

The dollar continues its record-breaking descent and the market is in a state suggesting that the bottom has not yet been reached. The quotation this morning was 1/1 3/4d, representing a fall of 1/8 since yesterday, and comparing with a fall of 1/16 in the prices of silver in the London market.

The opening of the market in Hongkong this morning was fairly steady at 1/6, but later in the morning came a message from the North announcing a marked easing. This was followed by a weakening of the local market.

A weak undertone is the feature of the market at the moment and the dealers are becoming a trifle panicky.

LATEST RADIO PHONE SERVICE.

LINKING UNITED KINGDOM AND ARGENTINE.

London, Dec. 10. The Postmaster General announces that from 12th December direct radio-telephone communication will be available between Britain and Argentina, with an extension by land line in South America to Uruguay and Chile.

The service will be available to all parts of Britain and Northern Ireland, and in South America to subscribers at their ordinary telephones.

The minimum charge covering three minutes' conversation from any place in Britain to the city and province of Buenos Aires will be 2s, to the remainder of Argentina 1s 6d, and to Chile 2s 6d. *British Wireless*.

YOUNG FOREIGNER DROWNED.

FELL OVERBOARD WHILE AT THE WHARF.

Hans Martinson (29), described as being of Danish origin, who worked as a motorman on the motorship Tudor, was drowned as the result of an accident early yesterday morning when the vessel was lying alongside the Kowloon Godowns.

The Chief Officer, Mr. J. Edwin, told the police that at 3 a.m. Martinson, who was leaning against the railings of the ship, was seen to topple overboard.

A search was made, but the unfortunate man was not seen again.

UNEMPLOYED RIOTS IN HAMBURG.

MAN KILLED WHEN POLICE OPEN FIRE.

Hamburg, Dec. 10. Riotous scenes were witnessed in Hamburg to-day, during demonstrations by unemployed. The police were finally compelled to open fire on the crowd, and one was killed and one wounded. *Reuters*.

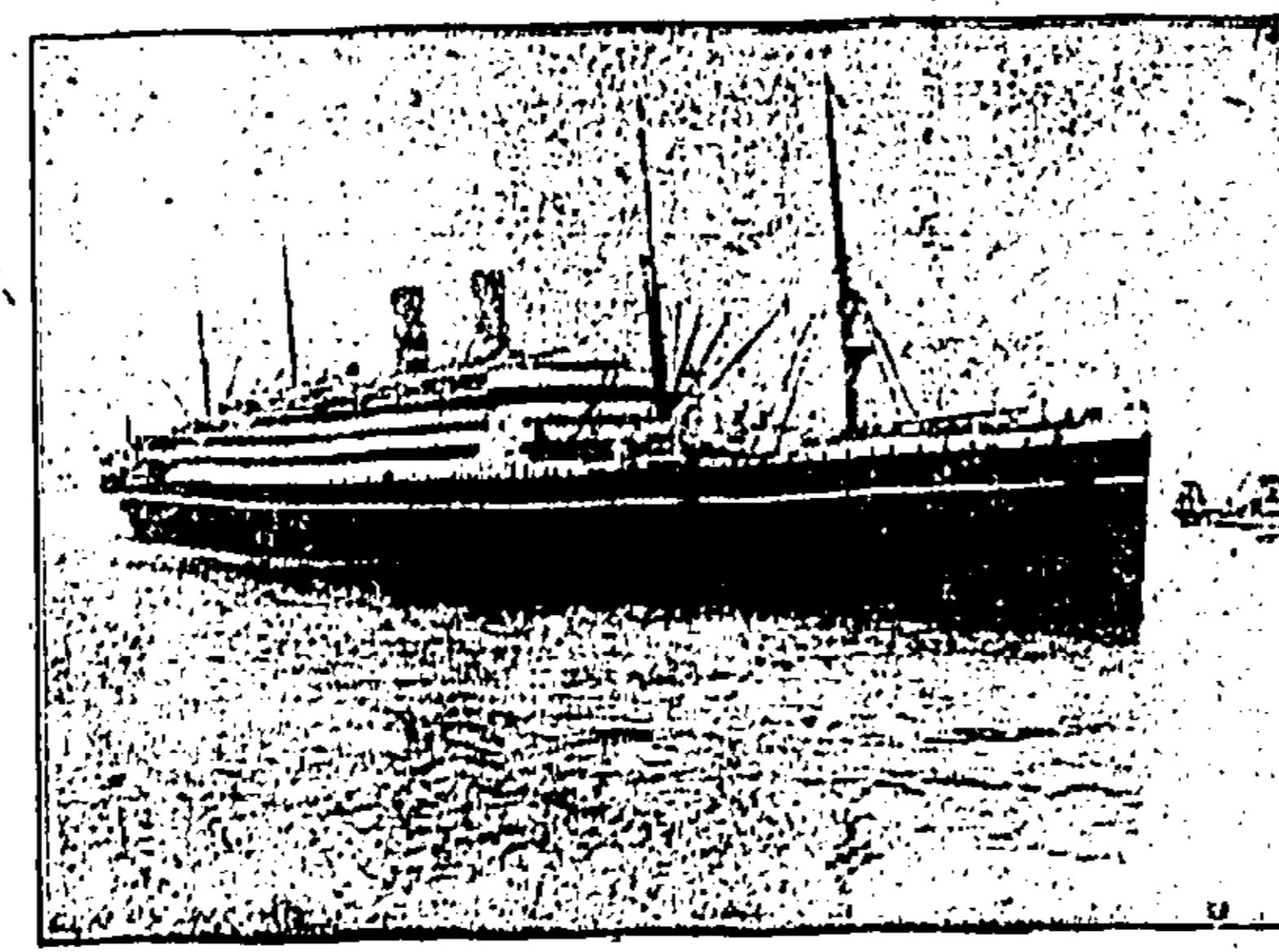
OFFICE FOR JAPANESE DIPLOMATS.

BUILDING PURCHASED IN SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Dec. 10. The Japanese authorities are reported to have purchased a new building in the French Settlement here with a view to accommodating a diplomatic representative.

It is known that the Japanese charge d'affaires will open an office in Shanghai some time next month.

EMPERESS OF SCOTLAND FIRE.



The Empress of Scotland, which caught fire at Blyth yesterday, and blazed all day. The vessel carried 300 tons of oil fuel in her bunkers and when this ignited all hope of saving her was abandoned.

MILLION POUNDS NOTE FRAUD.

SENSATIONAL CASE CONTINUING.

MR. BIRKETT ON HIGHLY COLOURED PICTURE.

CASE FOR DEFENCE.

London, Dec. 10. The sensational action arising from the brilliant coup by which an international swindler fraudulently obtained over £1,000,000 in new notes of the Bank of Portugal from Messrs. Waterlow and Sons, Limited, the printers, is still continuing in the King's Bench Division of the High Court in London.

The action, brought by the Bank of Portugal against Messrs. Waterlow and Sons, is for the sum of £1,115,613, and the Bank alleges alternatively, negligence or conversion, or breaches of contract, in connexion with the printing of Portuguese bank-notes.

Plaintiff's Case.

The case for the plaintiffs is that an international crook named Marang called at Messrs. Waterlow in 1924, bearing a forged letter purporting to be from the Governor of the Bank of Portugal, and to be an order for the supply of notes.

The notes were delivered to the value of £1,115,613 and were placed into circulation.

It was contended for the plaintiffs that Marang's plot was full of holes, not only inviting suspicion but shouting out for it.

The action commenced on November 24 and the plaintiffs have only just concluded their case.

Highly Coloured.

Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., who is representing Messrs. Waterlow, opening the case for the defence to-day, described allegations made by the plaintiffs as a "highly coloured picture."

He denied that Messrs. Waterlow, who are the biggest printers of banknotes in the world, were careless or negligent.

Vigilance and Prudence.

On the contrary, said Mr. Birkett, every step taken was marked with diligence, vigilance, forethought, prudence and care. He stated that between 1914 and 1928, Messrs. Waterlow had printed Treasury notes to the value of £5,000,000,000. The firm had always specialised in foreign currency and had always recognised that a great degree of care was required in their work. *Reuters*.

THEFT OF SILK.

FAIR WEATHER.

Shanghai, Dec. 10. The Royal Observatory reports that a feeble anticyclone remains central over the Lower Yangtze Valley. Moderate monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea. The local forecast is: N.E. winds, moderate; fair weather.

Police are investigating the matter.

JARDINE STEAMER IN GALE.

TERrible TRIP TO SHANGHAI.

FIVE DAYS ON VOYAGE. FROM SWATOW.

MOUNTAINOUS SEAS.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

After encountering the heaviest blow ever experienced by any of its officers and probably by the ship itself, the Indo-China S.N. Company's s.s. Fooshing yesterday morning arrived in Shanghai from Swatow, having taken five days for a journey that usually occupies 2½ days.

All shipping from the south has been delayed for the past few days because of the heavy wind from the north, and correspondingly, ships arriving in Shanghai from the north have shown a general tendency to be early. This is not unusual at this time of year, but the Fooshing certainly struck an unusual patch of weather.

With the wind blowing at between 90 to 100 miles an hour, the Fooshing almost stood on end as it pitched, sometimes with the ship out of the water from the bow to the level of the forecastle, sometimes with the stern well out and the propeller racing furiously. With the ship rolling at the same time it seemed as if at any time it might become a wreck.

The Fooshing, 2284 tons, is one of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s coasting cargo fleet, and its regular run is from Hongkong to Swatow, Shanghai and Tsingtao. The vessel was built 26 years ago by Messrs. Swan and Hunter, the builders of the Mauretania.

Grateful at Being Alive.

Captain Balch, the skipper of the ship yesterday said: "We all have a deep sense of gratitude for being alive. The 3rd officer has been at sea for 22 years and the chief engineer has been out here for 16 years, and neither has seen anything like the weather we encountered."

"We picked up the S.O.S. signal sent out by the Hedwig and I am glad to see by the *North-China Daily News* that H.M.S. Suffolk saved the crew. We received the signal while we were in the thick of our own difficulties, and wondered how soon we might have to send out an S.O.S. ourselves. Luckily we have a stout ship, although it is 26 years old. Every now and then it would come half out of the water and then hit the water again with a crash that shook everything and everybody on board."

On Bridge 50 Hours.

The worst period of the journey was in the vicinity of the Hsienan Islands, which are situated half way between Ningpo and Wenchow. For three hours it seemed as if the ship would not get clear, but it was managed gradually to drift it out of danger.

The Captain was on the bridge for 50 hours, and did not even get time to obtain a change of clothing. There was one thing which gave great cause for thankfulness, and that was the visibility, which was good. Bad visibility, combined with the mountainous seas that were running, would have given the ship very little chance at the Hsienan.

Lighter Moments.

There were one or two amusing moments during the storm, however. At any rate they appeared to the officers to be amusing yesterday, although on the trip itself they might not have been so funny.

For instance, the remark of an engineer who was eating his dinner with one foot on the wall and another on the floor, holding a pork chop in one hand, and a piece of bread and butter in the other, and who complained that there were "no fiddles on the soup." The fiddles were in position on every table, to keep the crockery in place, but the trouble was that the food would not stay in the crockery.

Crockery Smashed.

As a matter of fact, practically all the crockery on the ship was broken, and had to be replaced very

INDIA COMMITTEES GIVEN A REST.

CHAIRMEN NOW DRAWING UP DRAFT REPORTS.

EXCELLENT OUTLOOK.

London, Dec. 10.

The committees of the Round Table Conference after several days of arduous, but extremely encouraging, work are having a brief spell of rest from their labour. Work will be resumed on Friday.

The results of the exchanges of views during the past few days are meanwhile being summarised in the form of draft reports by the Chairman of the Burma Sub-Committee and the Provincial Constitution Sub-Committee.

They will be presented for further discussion at Friday's meeting before being sent on to the Committee of the whole Conference early next week, probably Tuesday.

The debaters in the Provincial Constitution Sub-Committee have covered a wide range and any of the subjects touched upon may again be reviewed on Friday.

A small committee set up yesterday by the Federal Structure Sub-Committee to revise the schedule of federal subjects not to-day. Its report will enable the sub-committee to complete the outline of its draft plan for a Federated India to be reported in due course to the Committee of the whole Conference. *British Wireless*.

AMERICA AND WORLD COURT.

PROTOCOL SUBMITTED TO SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 10.

President Hoover has submitted to the Senate, the Protocol worked out by Mr. Elihu Root and his colleagues last year, providing for the adherence of the United States to the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague.

It was recently stated that while a certain amount of opposition is to be expected, the necessary two-thirds majority will be secured without great difficulty. *Reuters*.

FRENCH POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES.

ANOTHER POTENTIAL PREMIER GIVES UP.

Paris, Dec. 10.

M. Laval, the ex-Minister of Labour, who undertook an attempt to form a Government, has abandoned the task, following the example of M. Barthou, who also found it too much for him.

M. Tardieu resigned a week ago and M. Poincaré's refusal to succeed him has complicated the position. *Reuters*.

BERLIN DISORDERS SEQUEL.

DR. FABRICIUS CONVICTED FOR OBSTRUCTION.

Berlin, Dec. 10.

Dr. Fabricius, a Fascist Member of the Reichstag, who was arrested for obstructing the police during the demonstrations against the showing of "All Quiet on the Western Front," was charged this morning in the Police Court.

In justification of their proposals the companies point out that the general level of wage rates has increased in industries in this country since 1914 by

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OBITUARY.

DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN AUTHOR & LECTURER.

London, Dec. 10. The well-known author and lecturer, Mr. Bart Kennedy has died in a mental hospital at Haywards Heath.

He was in a very depressed state since the death of his wife three years ago, and was taken to the mental home last August. —*Reuter*.

[Born at Leeds in 1861, of Irish parentage, Bart Kennedy picked up an education, to use his own phrase, by knocking about the world. He spent most of his youth in Manchester, and at six years of age worked as a half-timer in a cotton mill. He went to sea before the man at the age of twenty; found his way to America, and there led the life of a tramp and a labourer for some time; lived and fought with Red Indians, mined at Klondyke, and later became an opera singer and an actor. He travelled to all parts of the world, and when he drifted into writing had a wealth of material to draw upon. He published a number of striking books, the last of which was "Footlights" in 1928. He was also the founder in 1921 of a weekly known as *Bart's Broadsheet*. His wife, whom he married in 1897, was Isa, daughter of the late Major Arthur Gore Priestley.]

THE LATE MR. W. FARMER.

Remains Laid to Rest at Happy Valley.

The funeral of the late Mr. William Farmer, for 40 years a resident of Hongkong, the Shanghae, and other parts of the Far East, who died on the Shamen last Sunday, took place in the presence of a large number of friends at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, the remains being interred in what is known as the Old Residents' Section of the Protestant Cemetery. The late Mr. Farmer was a prominent freemason, and there was a large muster of brethren in full regalia at the graveside, representing the following lodges.—United Services Lodge, No. 1341, United Chapter, No. 1341, United Mark Lodge, No. 419, and Cathay Lodge, No. 4373.

From the gates of the cemetery to the grave the coffin was borne by masonic colleagues, Messrs. T. G. Stokes, J. Smith, F. Brown, W. O'Farrell, A. Tarbuck and V. Ferrier, being followed by the two chief mourners, Messrs. W. R. and C. L. Farmer, the Deputy Grand Master, Mr. J. M. McCutcheon, freemasons and other friends. The service at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. G. D. Waldegrave, this being followed by a Masonic oration and service by Mr. J. Davidson, R.W.M. of St. John's Lodge.

There was a wealth of beautiful wreaths, including those from:

His loving wife, Dolly; his sorrowing son and daughter-in-law, Clarrie and Dorothy; Gillian, Elizabeth and John, Jr.; Roley and Ethel; John and Grace, Kay and Victor, Dorrie and Harry, Gwen and George, Jack and Jill;

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LOCAL RADIO.

A CHINESE STUDIO CONCERT.

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. 6.00 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records selected and supplied by Messrs. Anderson and Co. 6.50 p.m. Organ and Band Selections. Organ Solo-Rhapsody in Blue, Quinton MacLean. 11.00 Band-A Hunting Melody. Band-Community Medley. Debroy Somers Band. 0028. Organ Solo-The Merchant of Venice. Quinton MacLean. 0650-0656. 5.30-6 p.m. Humoresque. The Highland Man I Know. Ogui Mogul-A Kannanmace Love Lyric. Billy Bennett. 0296.

Tommy Hadley Calling. Tommy Hadley. DB9.

Rio Rita-You're always in my arms. Edith Day (Soprano). 115.

Rio Rita-Following the Sun Around. Geoffrey Gwyther (Baritone).

(By Special request of a Listener). Clapham and Dwyer on Photography. Clapham and Dwyer. 243.

6.45 p.m. Children Programme From the Studio.

6.45-7.15 p.m. Orchestral.

In a Camp of the Ancient Britons. Kelly's Concert Orch. 9806.

Echoes of The Valley.

The Merry Bells. Bournemouth Municipal Orch. 9821.

Waldteufel Memories-Fantasie. Herman Flink and Orch. 9836.

The Two Lovers. Dancer of Seville. Bournemouth Municipal Orch. 9505.

7.15-7.45 p.m. Concert Items.

Song-The Bandolero. Robert Howe (Bass-Baritone). 236.

Octet-Putting the Clock Back.

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 68.

Duet-Marigold. Doris Labette and Hubert Eisboll. 157.

Duet-Classica. J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 9440.

7.45-8 p.m. Carols.

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentleman.

Good Christian Men, Rejoice.

The B. B. C. Choir from St. Mary-le-Boar Church Chipping. 2613.

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The B. B. C. Choir from St. Mary-le-Boar Church Chipping. 2614.

8 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9 p.m. Weather Report.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

Malaria Sufferers Read This!

Is your life made miserable and a burden to you by that curse of humanity—malaria? If so, you will know how it undermines your constitution, pulls you down and interferes with your business. Quinine quite fails to eradicate the germs from the blood-stream, so that the attacks keep returning, with disastrous effects on both mind and body. But Mr. John Aloysius Bastianpulle, of 24 Kotahna, Colombo, Ceylon, who suffered from malaria for a long time, has been cured and wishes to pass on his experience to benefit fellow sufferers. He writes:

"I am a commission agent and spend a great deal of my time travelling over Ceylon. About three years ago I contracted malaria and this greatly interfered with my work and for some time I had to give up travelling. I did not worry much at first but later attacks got so bad that at times I was confined to my bed. I lost weight and strength and had aches in all my joints. I was unable to sleep soundly at nights and had no desire to eat. I had often read of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and on the recommendation of a friend I commenced a course. Results being satisfactory after the first bottle I continued the treatment. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I am pleased to say, gradually restored my health and strength. Peaceful sleep came back to me, so did my appetite and I got rid of my aches and pains. I have not had another attack since, and I must thank Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for the good health I have kept since my cure. (Signed) John Aloysius Bastianpulle."

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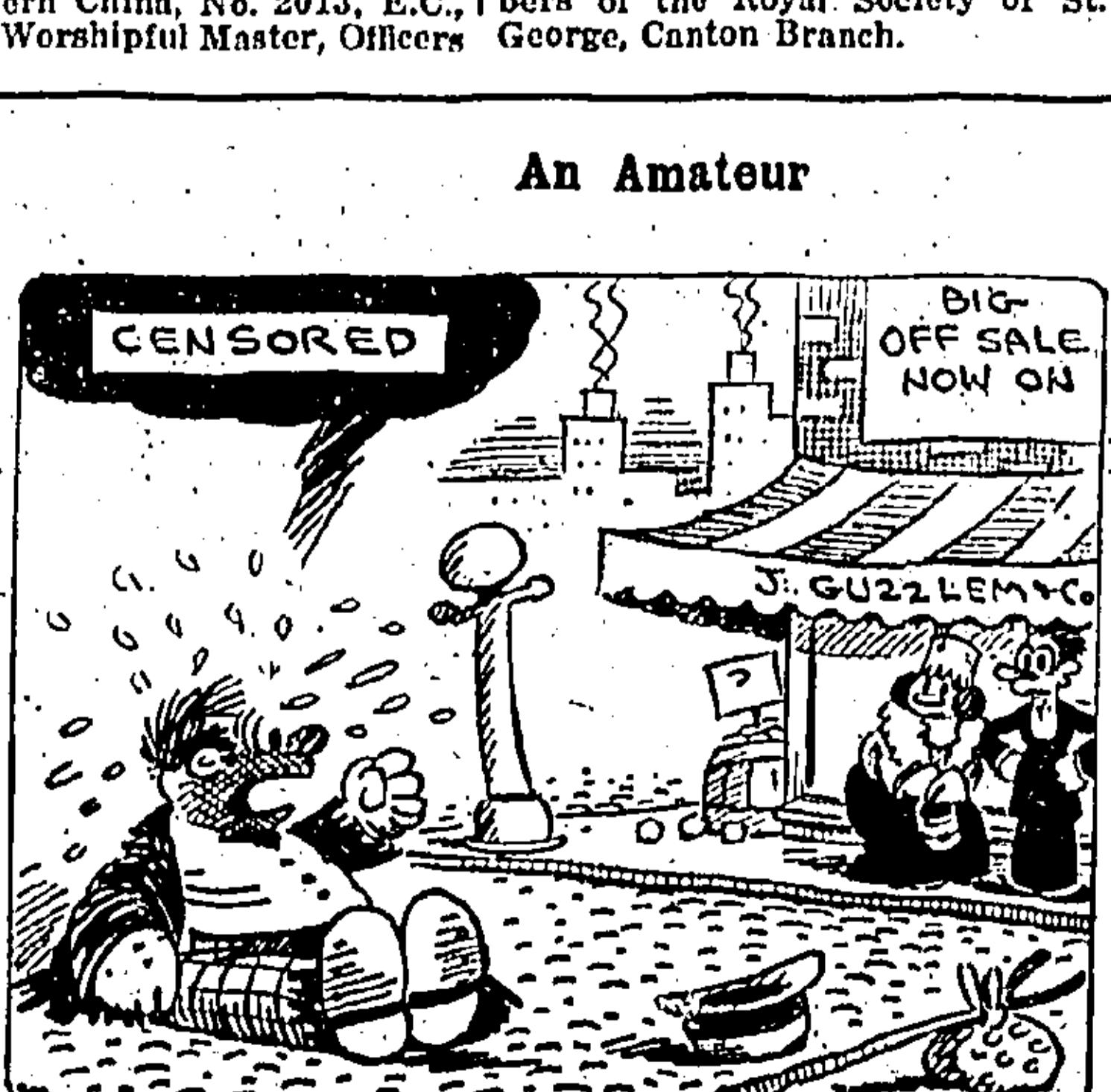
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Miss Violet Hilda Morgan was married in Shanghai recently to Mr. Victor Ernest Hutton, of Exmouth. Mr. Hutton is the only son of Colonel and Mrs. E. W. Hutton.



Miss Dora Ivanovna Sichkarenko became the bride of Mr. Charles Abbott Watt at a very simple wedding which took place at the British Consulate-General in Shanghai recently. Mr. Watt is connected with the Engineer's Office of Chinese Maritime Customs.



Mrs. M. Scholtz photographed with her two sons. Mrs. Scholtz, long a resident of Shanghai, recently left for Singapore where her husband has been transferred.



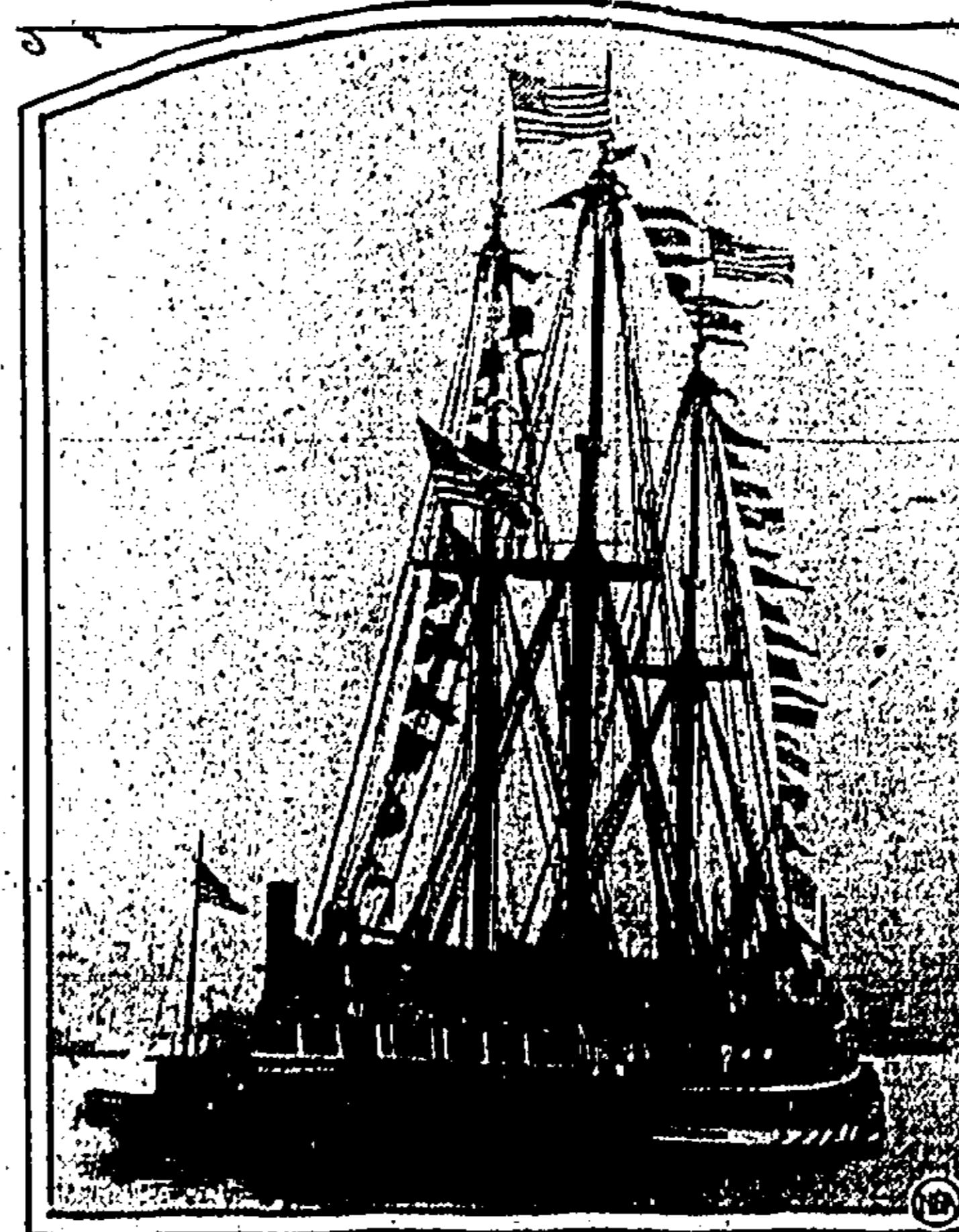
Photo taken after the wedding in Shanghai of Miss Marjorie Bickerton and Mr. Edwin Alexander Simon, formerly of Hongkong.



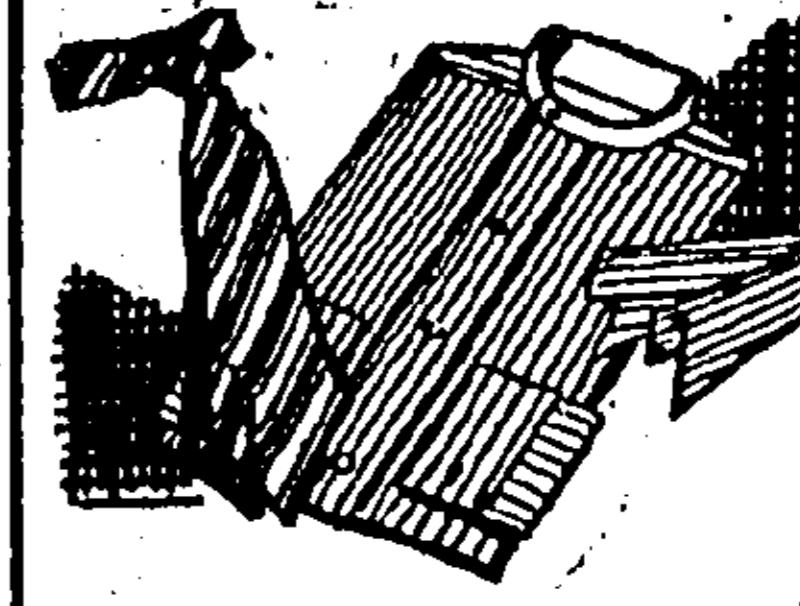
Miss Kathleen O'Leary became the bride of Mr. O'Rourke at a simple wedding service at the Church of the Sacred Heart in Shanghai recently. Accompanying the bridal couple were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Giles.



Upper picture taken at the Cenotaph in Shanghai shows members of the Scottish community laying a wreath on St. Andrew's Day. The lower picture shows the Scottish Company, S. V. C. assembled at the War Memorial.



Afloat again after many years, the historic American frigate "Constitution" better known as "Old Ironsides" is shown being towed round Boston Harbour.



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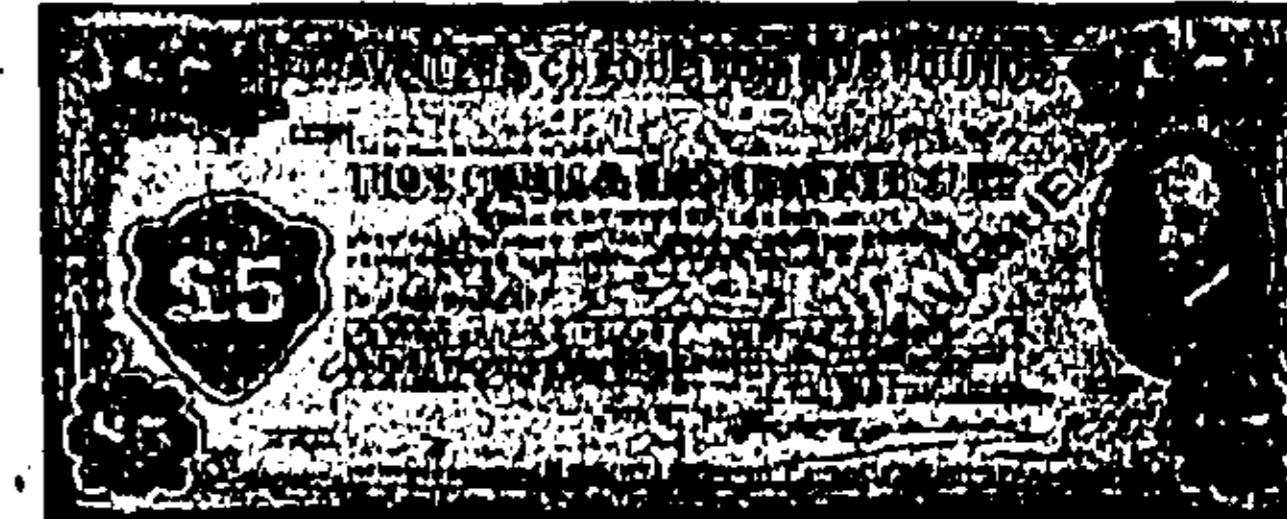
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NOTICE.

A Children's Pantomime will be given at the Helena May, on THURSDAY, 18th December at 5.30 p.m.

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MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 for Gentlemen and \$2 for Ladies, are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying. On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1, for all persons including ladies and is payable at the gate. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Queen's Buildings, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Monday, the 8th day of December, 1930 for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions:

1. That the Articles of Association of the Company be amended as follows:—

(a) By the insertion immediately after Article 48 of the following new Article, namely,

43. (A) The Company may by ordinary resolution cancel any shares which at the date of the passing of such resolution have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

(b) By the insertion immediately after Article 102 of the following new Articles, namely,

102a. The Company may at any time and from time to time in general meeting by resolution authorize the General Managers to capitalize any profits of the Company not required for the time being for payment of dividend upon any preference shares of the Company or other shares issued upon any special conditions, whether standing to the credit of the Company's reserve fund or otherwise, and including profits arising from the appreciation in value of capital assets, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company in respect of the net amount capitalized fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal amount, and the General Managers shall give effect to any such resolution accordingly, and any shares allotted pursuant to any such resolution shall be distributed among the members holding shares of the Company so far as practicable in proportion to the number of shares held by them respectively, and shall be credited as fully paid by means of the profits so capitalized and the General Managers may make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by the payment of cash or by sale and distribution of the proceeds or otherwise as they may think expedient for the ease of fractions. The General Managers may appoint any person on behalf of the members to enter into any agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them of such shares credited as fully paid up, and in satisfaction as aforesaid and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

102b. The General Managers may, with the sanction of the Company in General Meeting, declare a dividend to be paid to the members according to their rights and interests in the profits, and may fix the time for payment and may with the like sanction declare and pay a dividend or bonus out of any reserve fund and fix the time for payment thereof and may with like sanction declare and pay bonuses to the Company's employees or any of them.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same time and place on Tuesday, the 23rd day of December, 1930 for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution, the above mentioned Resolution.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on Tuesday, the 23rd day of December, 1930 at 11.5 o'clock if the forenoon or so soon thereafter as the above meeting shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

1. That the Company do hereby cancel all shares (namely, 2227 shares numbered 27724 to 50000) which at the date hereof have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and do hereby diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1930.

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J. P. WARREN,

Manager,

General Managers

G. LAMMERT R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 15th day of December, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui Po, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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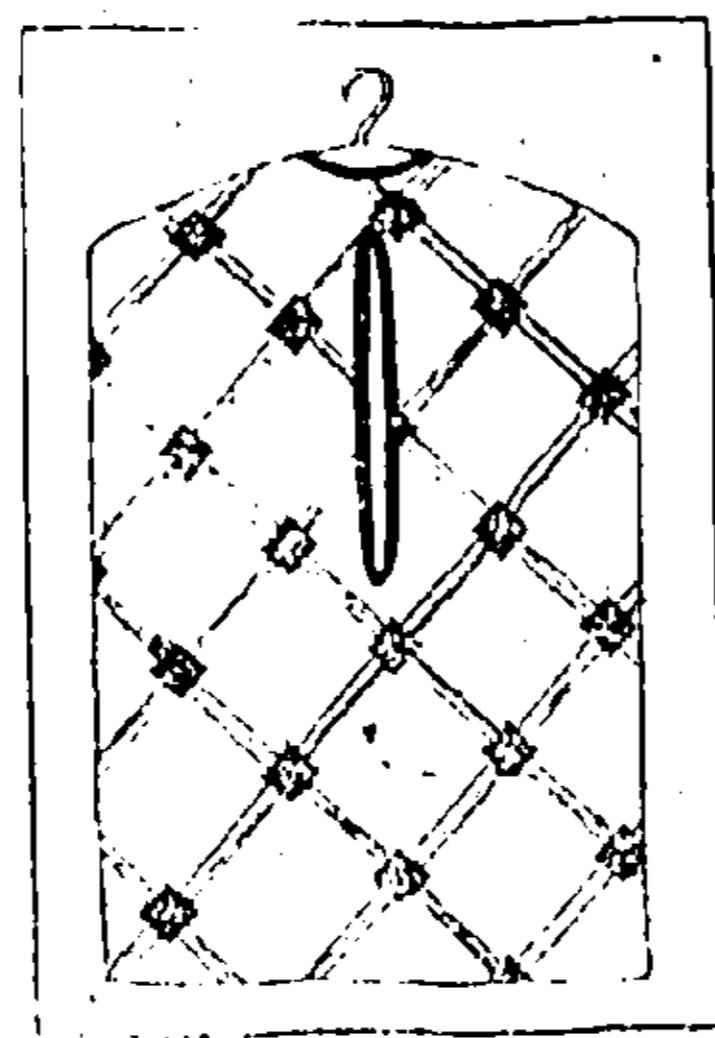
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At the top, where the two yards meet, cut out a small circle and bind it in colour. Stitch down in slanting fashion, from this hole, making the top fit neatly over an ordinary coat hanger, with the hook coming out through the hole. Bind it slit down the front to put in and get out the soiled laundry. This type of bag stays comparatively flat against the closet door, is handy for travelling and can be kept clean very easily.

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It is, of course, a commonplace that many a fur coat will this season be cut in loom-woven hair. And in one particular, at least, the wrap made of the latest fabric nutria, or moleskin, will be superior to that built of real pelts, for it is, so may be, proof against all but really heavy rain. It is, moreover, extremely cosy, for the hair is now made to stand erect upon the foundation texture so as to conserve warmth in the natural manner, while particular attention has been paid to reproducing the supple softness of valuable skins.

And that admiration for modern manufacturing processes is unshaken. It should be mentioned that fur from the loom runs to a width of 50 or 60 inches, and its cost seldom exceeds 25s. a yard.

The motoring rug of fabric nutria backed with colour, or made of double fur, is a possession of undoubted luxury. So, too, is the pram cover of moleskin, beaver, or white bear, which safeguards baby from risk of chill during his winter outings. Fur-covered cushions are a vogue during the cold-weather days, while a bed-coverlet in one of the light-weight furry fabrics would form a delightful change from the familiar elder-down or wadded quilt. Many a chilly or elderly individual suffering from fireside draughts, has dreamed of a warm fury rug drawn over the knees when chilly winds blow. Now, loom-woven beaver, bear, or nutria puts the little luxury within reach, not to mention such cosy trifles as a fury bag for the hot-water bottle, fury moccasins for the feet, and, possibly, even a fury dressing-jacket to take the sting from winter-time flailing.

H. W. S.

Of Green and Yellow Tweed.



Green and yellow chiffon tweed is an excellent material in which to express a smart bolero frock like this. The blouse is in pale yellow crepe de chine, and the hat is in tweed to match the dress, trimmed with yellow gros-grain.

THE WAISTLINE.

Three Distinct
Tendencies.

There is a subject upon which feeling and opinion is obviously divided. This is the waistline.

Most people have taken it for granted that because it has returned to normal, then it will stay.

Nothing of the kind. There are three distinct tendencies shown in the new clothes. True, most houses are keeping to a natural line, but some show a distinct Empire line,

the line which runs sharply under the bust—you know—and one famous designer is going all out for it.

Then, the third is the line which is marked at the top of the hip-bone, but so skilfully that it appears normal. This is a safe line for the woman whose figure is not a slender one, and for the woman who has found last season's dresses a little trying, because of the definitely placed waist.

There are several indications, in fact, that every woman does not come under, and cannot be forcibly put into, the "tall and slender" category.

"Em-broidered" are being broken up, and this is good news for the woman who has to be careful in planning her wardrobe. Matching coats and dresses are still worn, but there is no more law about this. Separate coats, that can be worn with different dresses in various colours and materials, are extremely smart, and some of the great Paris dressmakers are combining two or three materials in one suit and ensemble.

As for materials—jersey is back for daytime, but it is a new jersey, very much richer in effect. There is jersey kloak, which looks as if it were embossed with tiny embroidered figures, and there is jersey-broadcloth. Both are rich looking, and add elegance to the simplest clothes.

Crepe-de-chine always makes

MILLINERY NOTES.

Tendency Towards
One-Sidedness.

Hats are more off the forehead than ever, and there is a tendency towards onesidedness.

The stylish beret is still one of the fashionable hats of the moment.

Bonnets are being extensively treated in Paris. They have decaded brims, and are draped close to the sides of the head, recalling the poke bonnet of other days.

A band of white plique or white crepe-de-chine outlines some of our tight little hats—very smart!

The brim counts for a great deal on hats now, even on the toque, which is still to the fore for the morning, and for a certain type of sports suit.

Long feathers in ostrich or "fantastic" plumes are trimming the sides of hats, curling under the chin and falling over the side shoulder just like a scarf.

Diverse and deft moulding of brims characterizes the newest Paris hats possessing originality and chie.

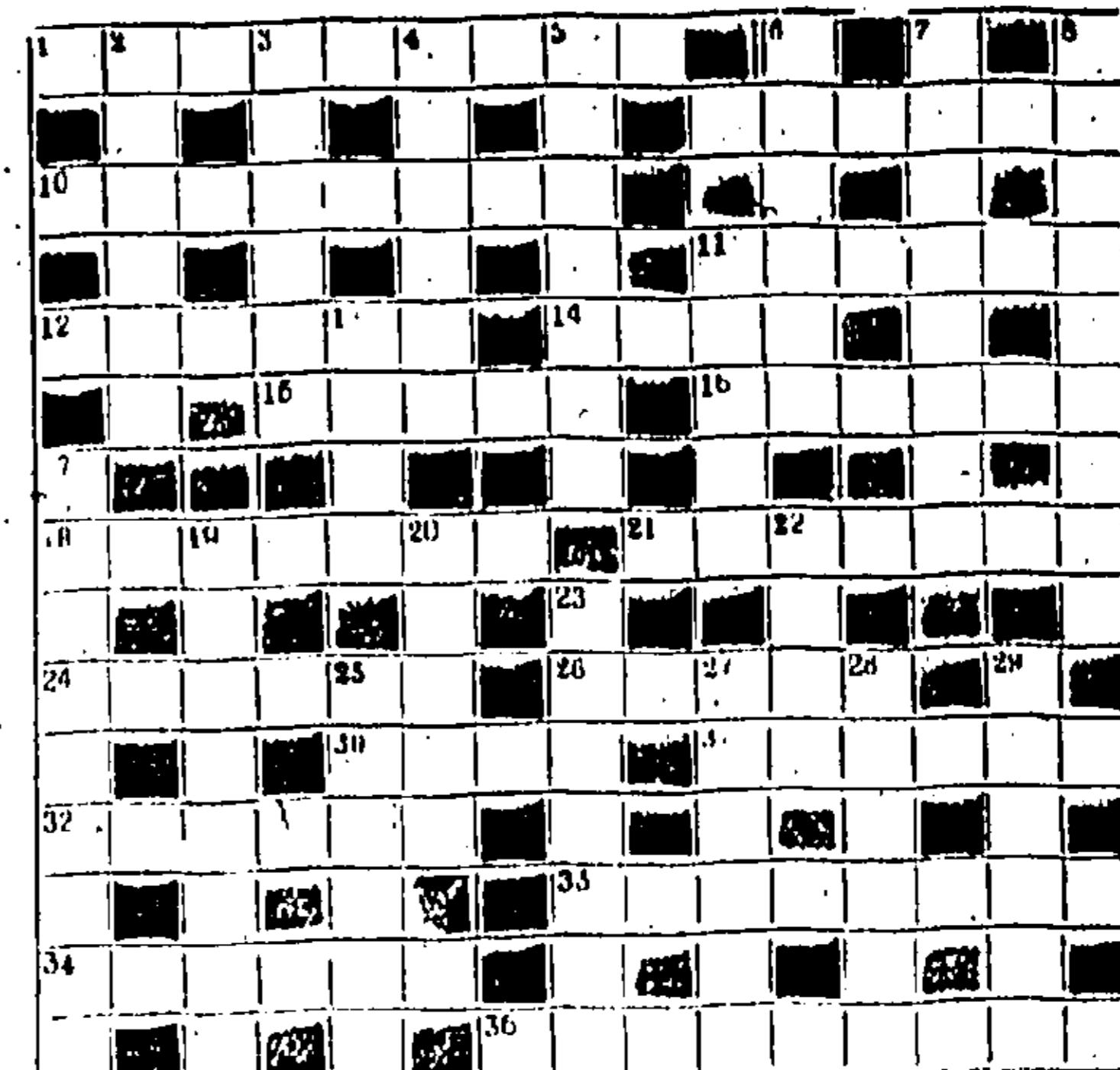
Fashion takes no notice of what she is concerned only with what ought to be. If women complain that these off-the-forehead hats are unbecoming, the milliners retort that it is your lookout!

MINIATURE HOLD-ALL.

An advance in vanity cases is one which holds cigarettes and a memo tablet and pencil, as well as powder puff and lip stick. This novelty is the size of an ordinary cigarette case, one side holding the cigarettes and the other the powder puff, lip stick, mirror, and a small memo tablet with a pencil concealed at the top. This useful article may be purchased in either plain or engine-turned gold.

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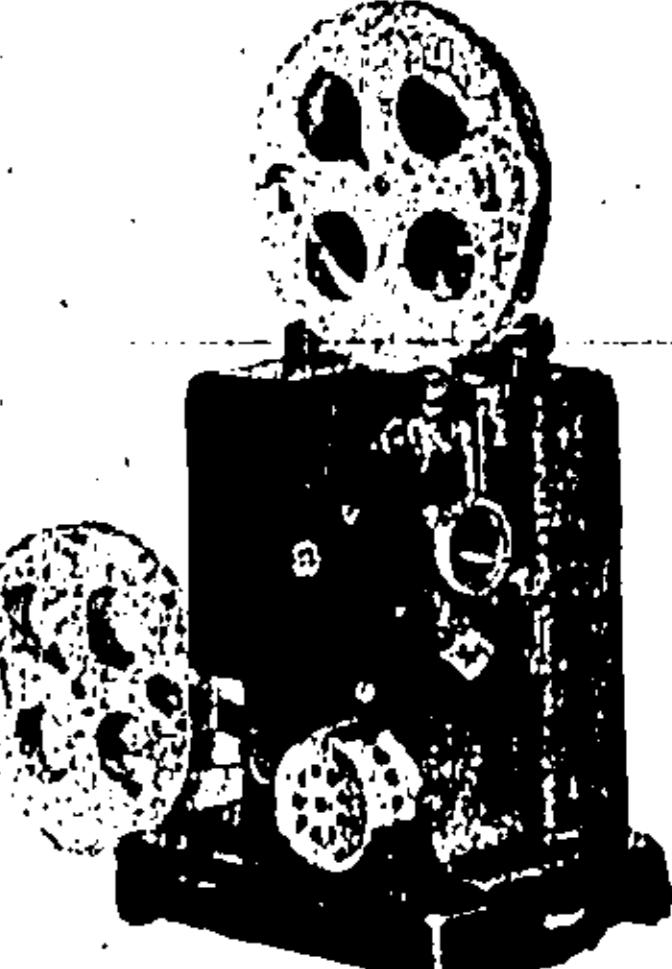
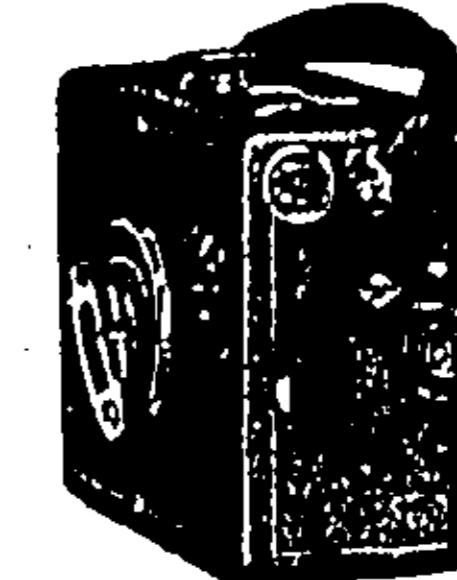
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- 1 The manner in which Uriah Heep addressed David Copperfield.
- 2 "Abst! omen!" was the remark that Romans used to make on hearing this.
- 3 Vinegar gives—a salut.
- 4 The Spanish Parliament.
- 5 "Nothing in Nature's —— intimated That a great man was dead."—Longfellow, Warden of the Clague Poets.
- 6 One may depend upon this kind of bacon.
- 7 Mr. Teignmouth Shore would say: "Hot it again," instead of this.
- 8 The small boy's happy hunting ground.
- 9 Some people find fascination in pulling these.
- 10 There is a confused sea-bird taking shelter in the cave.
- 11 Writing which smells of this shows a lack of spontaneity.
- 12 Something that an egg can never be.
- 13 If I get a bad reception I cease to do this.
- 14 A portable shelter.
- 15 Sounds more subtle than he really is probably.
- 16 "Ass in tone!" (anag.).
- 17 "But do lean" (anag.).
- 18 Useful in the garden—for fences or for killing weeds.
- 19 French Cardinal involved in the diamond necklace affair.
- 20 This is a scarce sort of word.
- 21 Be careful, this is a catch.
- 22 Brilliant.
- 23 The Romans were divided into three of these.
- 24 He is at least as selfish as his brother, and is, I feel, destined to disappointment (hidden).
- 25 Where Shylock accused Antonio of having rated him about his money.

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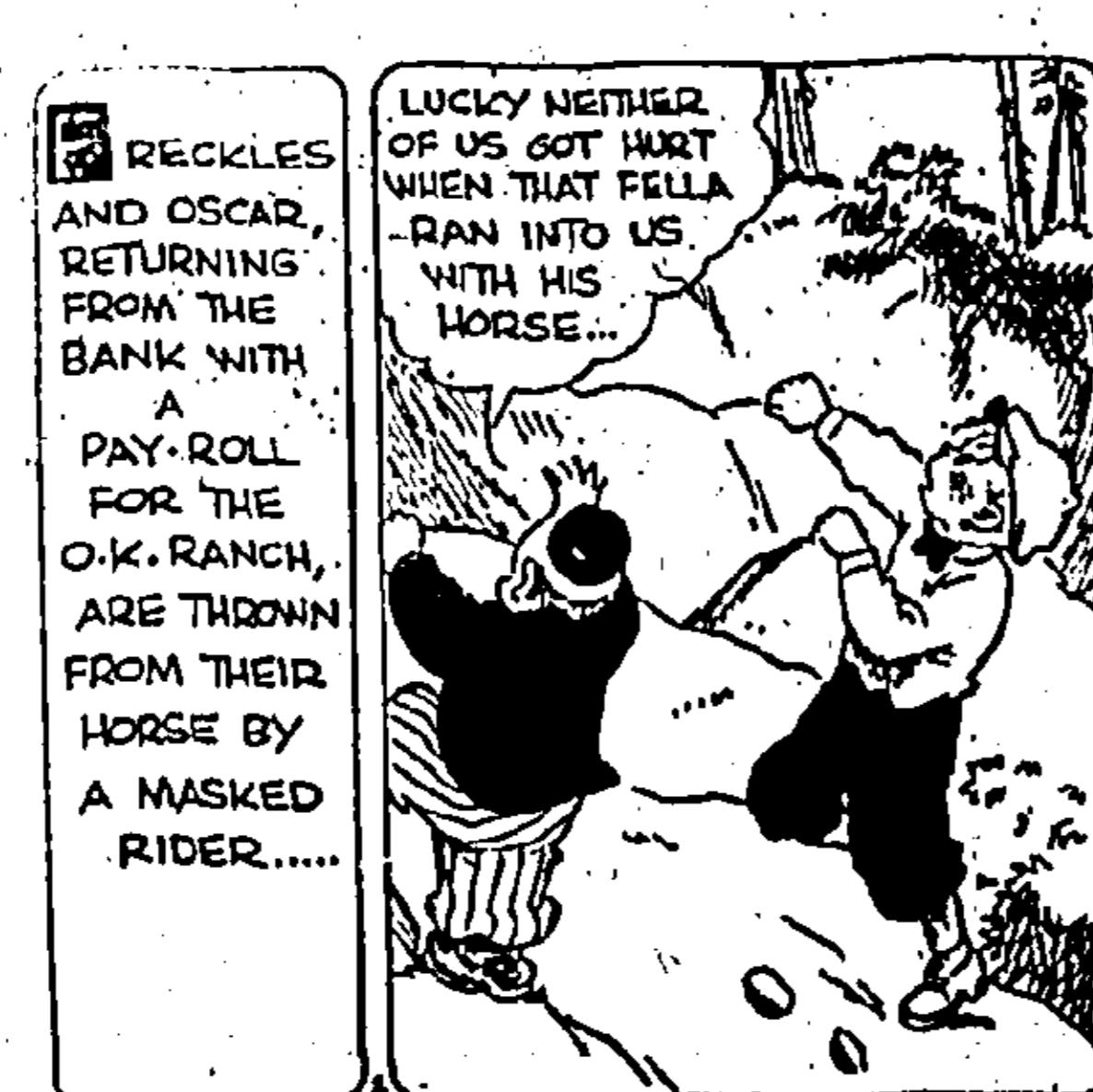
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and Mrs. W. Dudley Owen, a
daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1930.

THE PROBLEM OF THE "DOLE."

Not before its time is a Royal Commission to enquire into the unemployment insurance system, the operation of which is proving such a drain on Britain's finances, to say nothing of its abuse by those who would rather be idle than do a day's real hard work. We do not believe that those who take advantage of a very wise and necessary relief system are in any sense typical of the British workman, but the fact cannot be escaped that there are flaws in the insurance scheme which lend themselves to exploitation by the workshy and that the system has come in for very considerable abuse. In principle, the unemployment insurance scheme is one to which no possible objection can be taken, and inasmuch as the worker, the employer and the Government contribute thereto for the specific purpose of assuring that the genuinely idle shall not go without the necessities of life, there can be no questioning the right of the workless contributor to the grants which the system provides.

It has well been said that the strongest bulwark against permanent damage to Britain's industry and social institutions has been the existence of the national unemployment insurance scheme. Without it, the country would have been faced by appalling distress, by the breakdown of the Poor Law, and perhaps by bread riots and revolution. If there had been no insurance scheme, some comprehensive form of State relief would have had to be improvised. In passing, it may be mentioned that the United States, which until recently has had no unemployment problem, is now being faced with precisely this issue and contemplates spending a truly colossal sum in relief measures. Unfortunately, so far as Britain is concerned, the scheme which has done so much to mitigate the evils of the past few years appears to be breaking down under the strain put upon it. Successive Governments, faced by electoral pressure and administrative difficulties, have twisted and distorted the ori-

ginal plan to make it serve purposes for which it was never intended. In particular, the amendments made to the system last year suggest that the obligation of an unemployed person to seek work has been relaxed to a degree that is definitely unwise. It was suggested at the time that there was a real danger in this relaxation leading to a substantial increase, mainly through greater delay in the filling of vacancies, in the number of the unemployed. Facts have since shown that to be the case. It must be admitted, of course, that the whole of the intervening increase is not due to this cause, but there are good grounds for thinking that there has been greater abuse of the system since the relaxation than before. In any event, the whole scheme appears to have become distorted into a general system of unemployment relief, without discriminating between those who were properly covered by insurance and those who were not.

Whilst it is true that unemployment is now a world phenomenon experienced in greater or less degree by all industrial countries, nothing is to be gained by concentrating solely on that fact. We have seen it stated that reports of large-scale unemployment in the United States, Germany and Italy have been received with something akin to the grim satisfaction of a man with goat who learns that his next-door neighbour is suffering from the same complaint. This fatalistic attitude is mischievous. Unemployment is the product of human mistakes and miscalculations, and it can be aggravated or alleviated by human action. However, the solution of the unemployment problem is one issue, and the tackling of the insurance scandals another. Let us hope that the Commission now appointed will at least indicate the ways and means whereby a very fine system may be operated in accord with the original intentions of those who caused it to be put into force.

We have received a copy of a special English Supplement of the *Asahi*, one of Japan's biggest newspapers, entitled "Present-Day Japan." It contains over 170 pages, gives much information on the industry and social life of Japan, and is noteworthy for some beautiful coloured plates.

A dress rehearsal of the Philharmonic Society's production, "The Yeomen of the Guard" was given at the Theatre Royal last evening. Judging from the excellence of the performance, a real treat is in store on Friday and the successive nights on which this popular opera is to be given.

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Charges of possession of about 500 heroin pills and four mice of non-Government prepared opium, were brought against four Chinese before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning. Three of the defendants, who were arrested at 291, Queen's Road, were remanded till to-morrow while a fourth was discharged, it being ascertained that he was a cook in the premises.



THE HOSTESS: "Don't go home yet, there may be some hard centres in the second layer that I won't like."

DAY BY DAY

HE WHO SEEKS REPENTANCE FOR THE PAST SHOULD WOO THE ANGEL VIRTUE FOR THE FUTURE.—*Wilber Lytton*

H. E. the Governor has appointed Monday, February 2 next, as the date for the annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade.

The a.s. Luchow, which arrived from the North yesterday afternoon, brought in nine ponies, which were under the charge of a Russian "mafoo."

Seized with an epileptic fit, Chan Shing (25), a cook employed by the Indian police at the Wanchai Station, was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

The many friends of Mr. Archibald Hendson, late of the Hongkong Tramways, will be interested to learn that he was elected a Councillor on the Grouse Town Council in the November elections.

Suspected as being the work of harbour thieves, the disappearance of a cable shackle, valued at \$20, from the forecastle of the a.s. Kamo the night before last, has been reported to the police by the master, Captain Williams.

Four months' imprisonment, with 12 strokes of the cane, was imposed on Ching Yuk-po when charged, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with having snatched a handbag from Li Kit-chen, a woman, in Nathan Road last night.

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Really good party-givers never have such qualms. If, for example, they are informed that Miss Jenkins is lying on the stairs weeping, they let her weep, because they realise that this is probably what she desires, at the moment, to do. They do not rush out to Miss Jenkins and tell her not to weep. They do not whisper in her ear that life is, after all, a gay affair if we make the best of it.

Least of all do they drag her back, all damp and drugged, to the

BEVERLEY NICHOLS on

THE PARTY SPIRIT.

WHAT makes the perfect party?

Not alcohol. I have been to parties in sternly "dry" houses in America, where water flowed like champagne, and everybody enjoyed himself.

Not presents. I have been to parties given by rich people who thrust gold powder boxes into women's laps and stuffed elaborate cigarette cases into men's pockets, and everybody was filled with gloom. Not homogeneity. I have been to parties where deans hobnobbed with demimondaines, and both the deans and the demimondaines were improved. Nor lack of homogeneity. For I have been to parties where deans hobnobbed with demimondaines, and both considered the process to be socially lowering.

Not lions. I have been to parties which looked like those old-fashioned panoramas of celebrities, where quantities of figures jostled each other, and each figure had a blank head for a head, and inside the head was a number. That was just what the party was like—the heads were blank, and if you had not known that Number 3 was the world's greatest dramatist, and Number 27 the world's greatest violinist, you might have thought you were in the dreariest suburb.

Not friendliness. By which I mean "the old familiar faces" conception of hospitality. For I, and everybody in the world have been to parties where old friends are gathered together, and the result has been indistinguishable from an Irish wake.

But even these amiable activities do not absorb them completely, for, you see, they really do not greatly care what Flora says about Annabelle, which means that they do not dwell on a subject too long, do not linger particularly over any one guest, nor cause a melody to be played *ad nauseam*, nor arrange for the lights to be always at a certain measure of gloom or gaiety, for they realise the value of contrast—the sudden glitter that alarms and shocks and excites—the sudden dimness that thrills and whispers and elates.

And it occurs to me, as I read these words again, with the cold light that sparkles in the proof-reader's eye—that in describing the mentality of the party given I have also described the mentality of the truly exquisite connoisseur of life.

PHIPPS finds

TOO MUCH ADO ABOUT MOTORING.

IF the policeman's lot is not a happy one, the motorist's is not exactly all beer and by-balls.

The trouble is that motoring has become too deadly serious for words. Time was when starting the engine was an adventure out of which it was possible to get a considerable kick.

Nowadays, unfortunately, it is so revoltingly easy to start a car and drive it away that everybody does it. And motoring has become one mass of white lines and red tape.

The driver, too, is bursting with insurance policies, driving licence, reference cards, club handbooks (complete with method of salute, password, and contentious dicta), on "the Brotherhood of the road", lubrication charts, and an installation card indicating how much of the car he has paid for.

Mr. Parsnip and the P.C.

Imagine the case of a motorist called James Parsnip. James Parsnip is driving his car, which contains a gun and some cartridges, into the country with intent to do grievous bodily harm to a few pheasants. Enter P. C. Entwhistle, of Lower Bumblethorpe, P.C. Entwhistle holds up James Parsnip.

You came round that there corner at fifty miles an hour.—My speedometer said fifteen.

Ar, I dessay. May I see your driving licence?—Certainly.

Thank you. Now I'll just have a peep at your car licence.—Delighted.

Um, that seems in order. Ullo, carrying a gun, are you? 'Av you a gun licence?—Here it is.

Ar. Don't mind if I see your game licence, do you?—Only too pleased.

Ar.—I may say that I have at home a dog licence, a wireless licence, and a butler licence, none of which, I regret to say, I have with me. But I should be delighted to show them to you any time you feel like dropping in.

Hrmph. Pretty 'andy with your tongue, ain't you? What's your permission?—I am a poet. But I utterly and absolutely refuse to produce my poetic licence.

All of which sounds irrelevant until you remember that it all arose out of a driving licence. There is too much ado about motoring.

CONFUCIAN FUNDS EMBEZZLEMENT.

FIRST OFFENCE APPLICATION POSSIBLE.

ACCUSED REMANDED.

The possibility of a special application being made at a later date was intimated by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks when appearing before Mr. Lindell, at the Central Police Court this morning, to prosecute Tsol Wan-um, accountant of the Confucian Society, of 220, Hollywood Road, on charges of embezzling \$4,455.24 and of collecting a further \$200 from one Lee Cheung-hing by falsely pretending that he had authority and also giving a receipt or the latter sum.

Mr. Brooks: I am asking your Worship to adjourn for a further week. I am in my client's hands and maybe I will have to ask for a special application in this case. I ask your Worship to adjourn the case.

His Worship: What sort of a special application?

Mr. Brooks: I am considering an application under the Larceny Ordinance, Section 95.

His Worship: Naturally with the consent of the police authorities?

Mr. Brooks: Oh yes, I am going to see them now.

The case was accordingly adjourned for one week.

Section 95 of the Larceny Ordinance states: "Where any person is summarily convicted before a Police Magistrate of any offence against this Ordinance and it is a first conviction the Magistrate may, if he thinks fit, discharge the offender from his conviction on his making such satisfaction to the party aggrieved for damages and costs, or either of them, as may be ascertained by the Magistrate."

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APPRENTICE COOK OBJECTS TO REPRIMAND.

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Meanwhile, the police are searching for Lee Sam, an apprentice cook employed at the shop, who is suspected of having attempted the poisoning of the whole of the people in the establishment because he was recently reprimanded by his employer for stealing.

SHANGHAI AERIAL CRASH.

CHIANG'S SOLICITUDE FOR VICTIM.

Shanghai, Dec. 10. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has sent two telegrams to General Hsüng Shih-hui expressing sympathy in connexion with the recent aerial crash. The Shanghai Garrison Commander was to accompany Marshal Chiang Kai-shek in the war against Communist bandit in Central China.

Marshal Chiang requests the authorities at the Shanghai Hospital to send him two reports daily concerning General Hsüng, whose condition is said as good as could reasonably be expected.

B. & S. STEAMERS IN COLLISION.

MISHAP IN THE TIENTSIN RIVER.

A collision between two B. & S. steamers at Tientsin on December 3 has been reported to the Harbour Office on the arrival of the a.s. Kueichow, one of the vessels involved, from the North.

According to Capt. D. Williams, the Kueichow struck the a.s. Liangchow but fortunately the collision was not very serious. The Kueichow was slightly damaged at the foredeck head but was able to continue to Hongkong.

ALLEGED RECEIPT OF BRIBE.

CHINESE CONSTABLE APPEARS IN DOCK.

DIVAN "HUSH MONEY."

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Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse (Divisional Superintendent of Police) prosecuted and Mr. F. C. Rendall appeared for the defendant.

The complainant, said Mr. Wodehouse, lived in the basement of 4, South Lane which was apparently an opium den kept by two of his friends. He himself was probably involved in it, but he would not admit it. The case for the prosecution was that the defendant went to the premises on two occasions, on September 30 and October 31, and asked for money with the idea of "squeezing" the complainant for keeping the premises.

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PROPOSED NANKING AMNESTY.

NO PARDON LIKELY FOR COMMUNISTS.

Shanghai, Dec. 10. The Nanking Judicial Council has submitted a draft recommendation and list of names in connexion with the Nanking Government's decision to declare an amnesty some time early in the New Year.

The Judicial leaders suggest that prisoners charged with treason, as well as Communists and military leaders who have been plotting against the Nanking and Kuomintang regimes should be excluded from the list. The Judicial Council is still conferring with the Executive Council concerning the list of names to be included in the amnesty, but it is expected that it will be officially announced before Christmas.

Y.M.C.A. "BOY" IN COURT.

BOUNDED OVER FOR STRIKING CONSTABLE.

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Mr. J. L. McPherson, of the Y.M.C.A., said the defendant had been employed as a "boy" there for six years and had a good character.

Mr. Butters bound the defendant over in a sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour for six months.

KOMOR JEWELLERY THEFT.

ACCUSED SENT TO PRISON FOR FOUR MONTHS.

RETURNED BANISHEE

Convicted of a charge of theft of a gold ring mounted with Jade, two gold-mounted Jade pendants and a pair of Jade ear-rings from a shop case at Messrs. Komor and Komor about the middle of last month, a Chinese, who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Magistracy this morning, was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

The defendant, it will be remembered, was stated to have gone into the shop on two occasions and asked to be shown certain rings and other jewellery. After the prices had been quoted to him, he complained of the expense and left the shop without making any purchases. It was after the second visit that the loss was discovered and on the defendant being seen in the streets he was arrested.

His Worship this morning said he was satisfied the defendant had taken the articles and he convicted him of the charge.

According to Detective Inspector Shimmon, who prosecuted, the defendant was a banishee from Singapore where he was originally sentenced to imprisonment for larceny and banished for life at the expiration of the term. He returned to the Straits in 1926 and was given five years' imprisonment. He came to Hongkong and was automatically banished from the Colony.

KIDNAPPING OF A YOUNG BOY.

A WOMAN AND THREE MEN CHARGED.

Three men and a woman were charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, by Detective Sergeant Fletcher, with having kidnapped a boy of six.

Lam Sun-chun, a Canton detective, said that on November 25, he received certain information in the presence of Lui Sui-fui, the father of the boy, and the fourth defendant. On the information of the fourth defendant they all took train to the Sze Kau village to look for a man named Lui Kam-pui, who acted as the go-between in the case of the boy. At the Sze Kau Police Station they heard that Lui Kam-pui had been arrested two days previously.

Witness questioned Lei, and from his information traced the child. The woman who purchased the child showed him an agreement by which she had paid \$3.40.

Mr. Butters, at this stage, adjourned the case for further hearing until December 26.

SUGAR MARKETS.

THE LATEST QUOTATIONS BY CABLE.

The following cabled quotations at the close of the sugar markets yesterday have been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Company:

London Terminals. March 1931 6/6 up 2d. May 1931 6/8 1/4 up 2d. August 1931 6/11 up 1 1/4d. December 1931 7/2 1/4 up 1/2d.

New York Terminals. March 1931 1.43 up 3 pts. May 1931 1.51 up 3 pts. July 1931 1.58 up 3 pts. September 1931 1.64 up 2 pts. December 1930 1.30 up 3 pts. Cubans 96% c.i.f. U. K. December value 1.78.

TRUST SALES.

22,000 Whites 18.00 12,000 Browns 17.00.

OFFERED JACKET AS BRIBE.

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PROBLEM OF INDIAN UNEMPLOYED.

SHOCKING CONDITIONS IN MALAYA.

COMMONS QUESTIONS.

London, Dec. 10. Questioned whether provisions were being made to repatriate Indian labourers unemployed in Ceylon and Malaya as a result of the rubber depression, Dr. Drummond Shiels, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, stated in the House of Commons to-day that he was unaware whether special provision was being made in Ceylon. He would ask the Governor.

As regards Malaya, it had been the Government's policy to repatriate all unemployed Indians and 13,360 had been sent back to their homes in the first nine months of the year. — *Reuter*.

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An appeal for public assistance has been issued.

LIFEGUARD FOR MOTORS.

BUMPER THAT REVOLVES.

Many inventors have spent anxious hours trying to devise a method of preventing pedestrians from being seriously injured when knocked down by motor vehicles, and Dr. Vernon Clifford hopes that he has solved the problem by his rotary "Autosaver."

This is a device fitted to the front of a vehicle, consisting of a cylindrical bumper and a small electric motor, actuated by the battery of the car.

The bumper, fitted with longitudinal wooden slats, is carried ten inches above the ground, but drops to within two inches as soon as it is touched by any obstacle. At that moment it starts revolving, and rolls the obstruction forward for a short distance, during which the driver can stop the vehicle.

Dr. Clifford recently demonstrated the practical utility of his device fitted to the front of a large motor-car.

A mechanic threw himself in front of the lorry, and the "Autosaver" rolled him over and over for about five yards without injuring him. He informed me that he was not bruised, but the gloves he was wearing saved his hands from being scratched by the road surface.

The inventor stated that the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police had approved the use of the "Autosaver" with heavy vehicles.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON NEW WHARF.

COOLIE KILLED FOLLOWING DERRICK MISHAP.

Two men were injured, one fatally, when a derrick on a lighter at which they were at work, broke yesterday and they were struck by a flying beam. The mishap occurred while construction work was in progress on the new wharf at the Kowloon Godowns.

A beam which was being hoisted into position fell consequent on the breaking off of a wooden derrick, and the two coolies who were on a lighter on which the derrick was mounted, were struck by falling material, receiving multiple injuries.

After removal to hospital, Ho Kwai-yau, one of the two men, succumbed to his injuries.

NEW LEGAL RULING.

JUDGES AND HABITUAL CRIMINALS.

After three judges had heard a case in the Court of Criminal Appeal Mr. Justice Avery said: "We lay it down definitely as a rule that no two persons be tried together on a charge of being habitual criminals."

John Lonsdale, Jack Baker and Edward Ross, who were sentenced at London Sessions to three years' penal servitude for shop-breaking, and to five years' preventative detention for being habitual criminals, appealed against the conviction as habitual criminals.

It was stated that Lonsdale had previously been convicted in the name of Baker and Jack Baker had been convicted under another Christian name.

The Court was satisfied that some confusion arose and the convictions as habitual criminals were quashed. The sentences of penal servitude were confirmed.

ATLANTIC AERIAL SERVICE.

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN U.S. AND BRITAIN.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

London, Dec. 10. In the House of Commons, the Under-Secretary for Air, Mr. F. Montague, referring to negotiations for the establishment of an air service between Baltimore and Bermuda, and an extension of the service eventually across the Atlantic to this country, said the project was not exclusively American and involved co-operation between British and American air interests.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks. Hongkong Bank, \$1735 s. Chartered Bank, £185 n. Mercantile A. & B., £27 n. East Asia \$115 b.

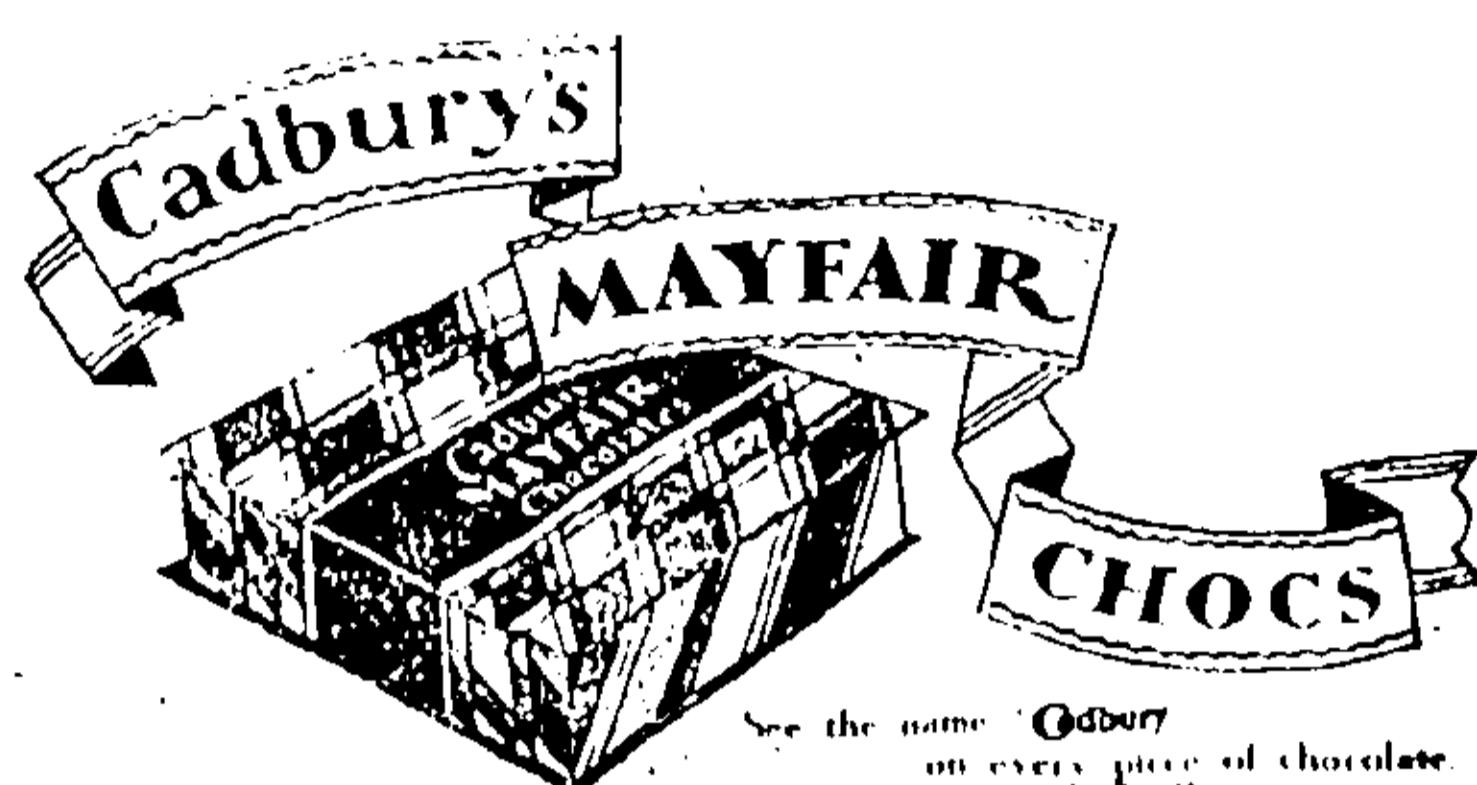
Insurances. Canton Ins., \$1,225 b. Union Ins., \$512 b. North China Ins., Tls. 160 b. China Underwriters, \$3.10 s. Yangtze Ins., \$40 b. China Fires, \$1215 b.

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CINEMA NOTES.

"GRETA GARBO'S MAGNETIC PERSONALITY.

"When Greta Garbo walked into a scene she's got something no woman in the world has!" Such was the observation made recently by Charles Blackford, who worked opposite the Swedish star in "Annie Christie," her first Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer talking picture, which is playing at the Queen's Theatre.

"I haven't any idea what it is, that something," said Blackford. "Call it sex appeal, magnetism or whatever you will, it is there just as plainly as the flame that leaps up when you put a match to a lamp."

"I was fascinated watching her and trying to figure it out. She is one person off the set, quiet, retiring and repressed. You could pass her by without knowing she was sitting there. But the minute she walks up with that elusive and intangible something and dominates her whole surroundings, her every gesture is compelling, her every glance hypnotic.

"She has that name fascination and sparkle on the screen, I have noticed. And the funny part about it, I don't think she is conscious of it. It is simply her personality, a natural response to her dramatic inborn without an ounce of artificiality."

Clarence Brown directed the talking screen adaptation of the famous Eugene O'Neill drama with the supporting cast including George Marion and Marie Dressler.

"All Quiet on Western Front."

The lad who fourteen years ago was the first great child actor of the screen is back to fame in pictures. He is Ben Alexander who when he was five years old won never-forget-ten fame as the child in Griffith's "Hearts of the World." Before that he had appeared in a few of the very early pictures simply as a "beautiful child" or a "kewpie"; pictures like "Baby Pearl of a Tear" with Fanny Ward.

There has been no fame like this as a child actor in picture history, with the exception of Jackie Coogan and, more recently, Bobbie Lee. Ben, who is now nineteen, left pictures for school. While he was taking a post graduate course at Hollywood high school in preparation for entrance at the University of California at Los Angeles he was summoned to the Universal studios.

There, after tests, he was signed for the role of "Kommerich," one of the feature parts of Universal's super picture of Erich Maria Remarque's book of the war, "All Quiet on the Western Front," which opens on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

Ben's promise to become youth as the "beautiful child" is something he himself laughs at now. His prettiness passed with his babyhood. It's almost unbelievable to think that the Ben of to-day—a typical high school

boy—ever could have been the "adorable Benji" of fourteen years ago.

But the promise of his ability lasted. As "Kommerich" he has one of the most appealing roles of "All Quiet on the Western Front," the part of the boy whose soft leather boots were the envy of his comrades at the front and who was among the first to fall. In "Hearts of the World" it was his scene at the grave of his father that won him fame. In "All Quiet" it is the scene where he dies from wounds surrounded by his schoolboy chums who marched away to war with him.

"Let's Go Native."

The great Jack Oakie grin invasion which began for the delectation of millions of talkie-goers, a year or so ago, continues its irrepressible spasms of laughter at the Central Theatre this week in "Let's Go Native."

This smiling dean of slang and wise-cracks who began wowing audiences in "Close Harmony," continued his veritable panic mirth in "Hit the Deck," "Sweetie," "The Social Lion" and others, is a bigger-and-better-than-ever rascal in "Let's Go Native" in which he is co-starred with Jeanette MacDonald and the princess of "The Love Parade," supported by Sheek Gallagher, Kay Francis, William Austin and Eugene Pallette.

Oakie is seen as Voltnaire McGinnis, the guy but go-getting taxi-cab driver who gets all mixed up with Miss MacDonald's plans for her troupe of show-girls who are making a trip to South America to put on a revue for a millionaire. When Oakie's cab runs smack into a police station in New York, he is bound to seek refuge on the ship. He gets a job as a stoker but later is promoted to a most attendant. On the boat are William Austin, society ne'er-do-well, James Hall, disinherited young blue-blood in love with Jeanette MacDonald, and the 76 girls of her show.

The ship strikes a dredge and all the principals are stranded on a tropical island where Sheek Gallagher is king. There is an abundance of pearls, and the island sports all the time a tent peg is driven, but it is all valueless to the castaways, for they are beyond the pale of civilization. The film is packed full of fun.

"The Climax" at the Majestic.

A chorus of three hundred canary birds, the first feathered songsters to be featured in sound films, will be heard in "The Climax," Universal production of the famous stage play by Edward Locke, which will open today at the Majestic Theatre.

The singing of the canaries is the recurrent musical motif for the beautiful love scenes, forming a sort of second theme song for the picture. The theme song itself is "You My Melody of Love," written especially by Victor Schertzinger, composed especially by "Marchetta" and other popular melodies, and sung by Kathryn Crawford in the leading feminine role.

In addition to canaries and the numerous other sound effects, many of them reproduced for the first time in sound film, there are the playing of flute, a violin, an organ and a piano; whistling; a Swiss music box; a full-orchestra; roosters crowing and doves cooing.

One of the songs sung by Miss Crawford in "The Climax," which was admirably adaptable to conversion to a sound picture because of music being an integral part of the plot, is "Ninna, a canzonetta by Pergolesi, 1710-1736.

"The Climax" is an all-dialogue and sound production, starring Jean Hersholt, Universal's great character actor. The setting for the story is in Italy, making it the first sound picture to have a foreign locale. Others in the cast with Hersholt and Miss Crawford are LeRoy Mason, John Reinhardt and Henry Armetta. The picture was directed by Remond Hoffmann.

CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY TEAMS FOR
THE WEEK-END.

The following will represent the University 1st XI, in a League cricket match against the Royal Navy on Saturday, on the Home Ground at 2 p.m., shins, D. J. N. Anderson (Capt.), A. Baker, F. A. Redmond, D. K. Samy, A. B. Suleiman, A. Chan Fook, A. Nomanbhoy, A. M. Rodriguez, K. P. Gan, G. F. Yeoh, A. S. A. Kyun.

2nd Team.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI, in a League cricket match against the R.A.S.C. on Saturday, on the R.A.S.C. Ground at 2 p.m. sharp: K. T. Lake (Capt.), A. A. Aziz, G. Scully, F. S. Chen, H. Nomanbhoy, P. M. da Silva, R. Leung, D. Roy, M. Yahyahbov, W. James, E. Gossano.

A Sunday Match.

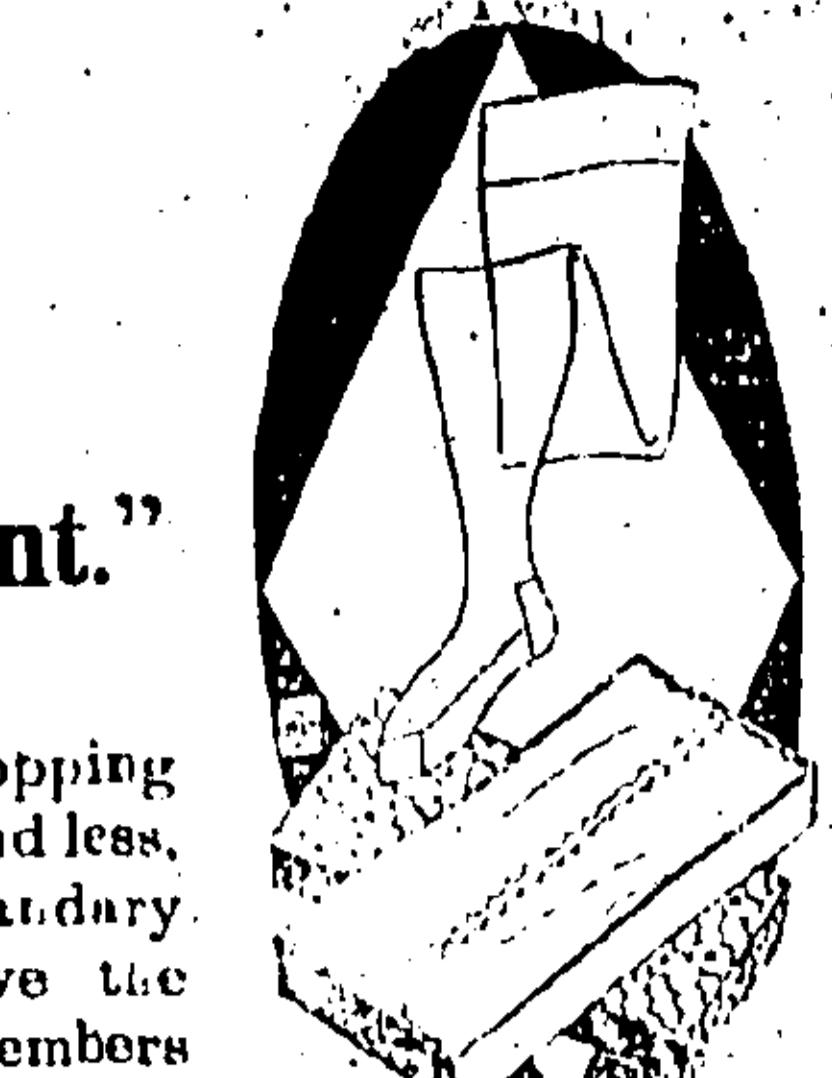
The following will represent the University in a cricket match against Mr. H. T. M. Barma's XI on Sunday at 8.30 a.m., sharp, on Home Ground: A. A. Aziz (Capt.), A. B. Suleiman, A. Baker, G. Scully, P. L. Tan, D. Roy, W. James, C. Chahal, E. Gossano, N. Kam-sau, G. de Souza.

LADIES' HOCKEY.

The following team will represent the Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Club in a match against H.M.S. Berwick at Sookkumpon on Saturday, 3.30 p.m. The team is as follows: E. Lamont, E. G. Little, E. Gray, B. V. Franklin, A. Owen-Hughes, E. Bonnar, M. D. Wallace, I. C. Bell, N. A. McNeillie, E. M. Donelan, E. Blackburn, E. S. Leding.

There will also be a match against the Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club on the K.D.S.P.D.A. ground at 3 p.m. The team is as follows: E. Lamont, E. J. Copping, F. A. Cousins, M. Kline, F. J. Webster, E. O'Hagan, E. R. Bell, J. L. Whyte, A. Duncan, C. M. Ferguson, M. Bishop.

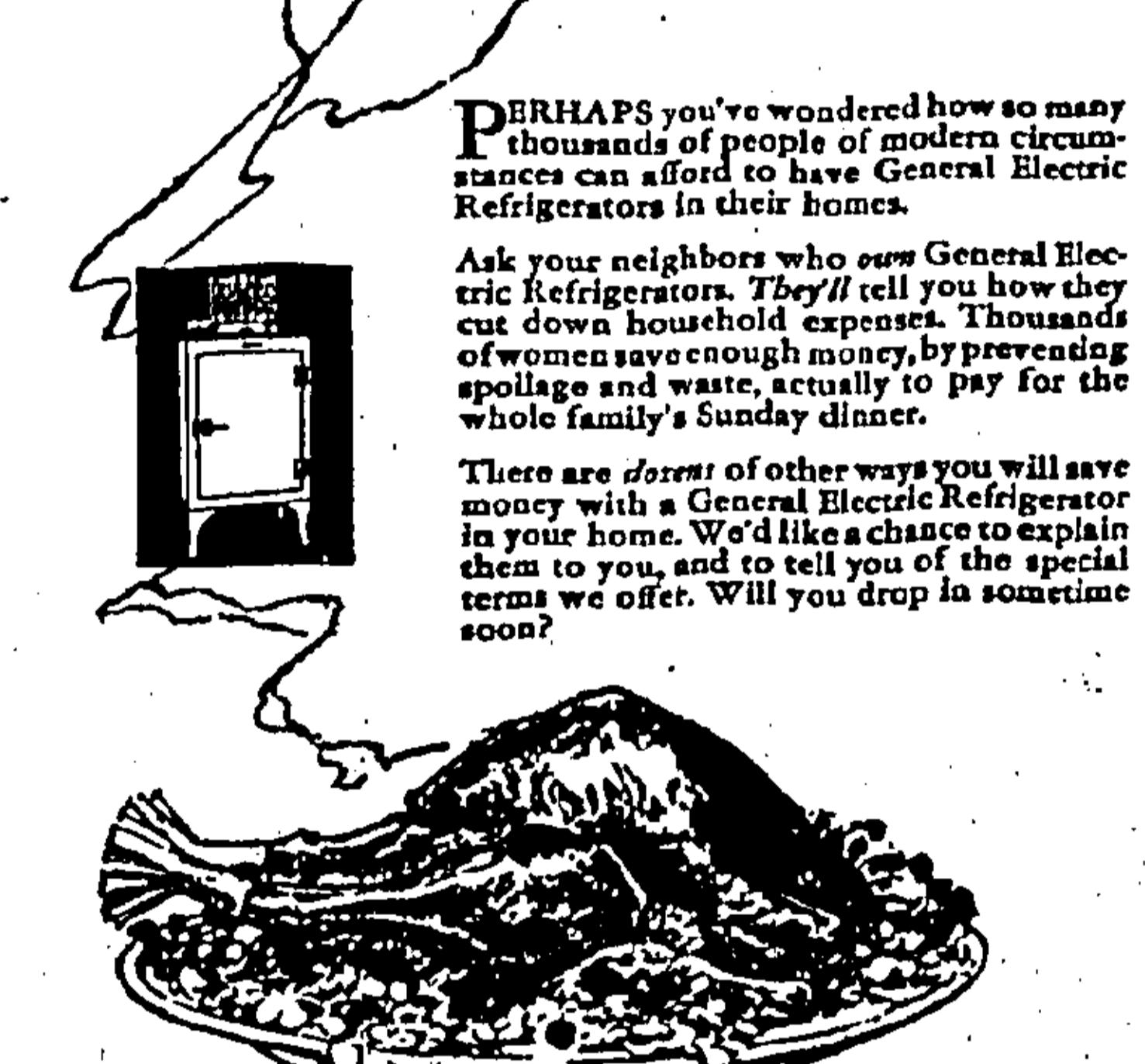
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YESTERDAY'S GAMES AT
HAPPY VALLEY.

There were two rugger games at the Club ground yesterday afternoon, the first between a side from each of the Services, and the second between a Navy fifteen and the Club "A" side.

The Army were losers to the Navy by a converted goal, both having scored six points, the Army getting two tries, and the Navy a penalty goal and a goal.

There was little to choose between the Army and the Navy, and neither side would have had much opportunity of scoring if it had been playing against the Club "A" side. In the later game, the forwards, composed entirely of men from the Burwick and the South Wales Borderers, packed too tight, so that there was hardly room for the ball to be put inside the scrum, and many times the referee had to blow his whistle.

The referee was lenient, however, in the line-out, three times allowing the forward nearest the line to take the ball, instead of the ball passing over two men's heads as is the rule at present. The same failure to observe the rules as regards the line-out has been observed before with Army referees.

Having the presence of Sutill in the pack, the Navy had the better of matters after they had settled down, and Pascoe did his job in the hooking very well in the second half. Both the Army tries were scored in the first half. Galletly getting over near the flag for the first, and Hamilton repeating the dose soon afterwards. Jones failed with both kicks, though he was very near with the second.

In the second half, and, for that matter, towards the end of the first half, the Navy forwards had all of the ball, but were unable quite to consolidate their advantage. Numerous tight scrums were ordered at the five-yards mark, and the Navy had bad luck in not scoring after heeling fairly cleanly. Van Der Byl was almost over once or twice, but was brought down near the line or held up. Then Moore kicked a good penalty goal for the Navy, and Rudd got over shortly afterwards from a good pass by Pascoe, for the latter to add the extra points.

Club "A" Lost Again.

The Club side turned out in the game against a Navy fifteen was unbalanced, there being two or three good forwards, a useful three-quarter or two, and a prominent scrum-half and full-back. The Navy, on the contrary, had a more than useful pack and both halves did their work well.

The score, of two goals and two tries (16 points) to a goal and a try (8 points) about reflected the play.

The Navy had the ball most often from the tight scrums, and in the lone Nicholson, Crawford and Whitham were always to the fore. Until Gammell, who came in after the game had commenced in place of Dale, played his usual good game of winging, the Club pack seemed always to be slow in breaking up, besides being too slow in the ball in the loose.

Gammell got in a dribble or two, once to make a lot of ground, and once to save when the Navy were pressing. David was very fast for the Navy, though he sometimes over-ran his passes, and Woods once or twice set his three-quarter going. Punter played his usual good game at the base of the scrum and was very hard to stop, although Hewitt, for



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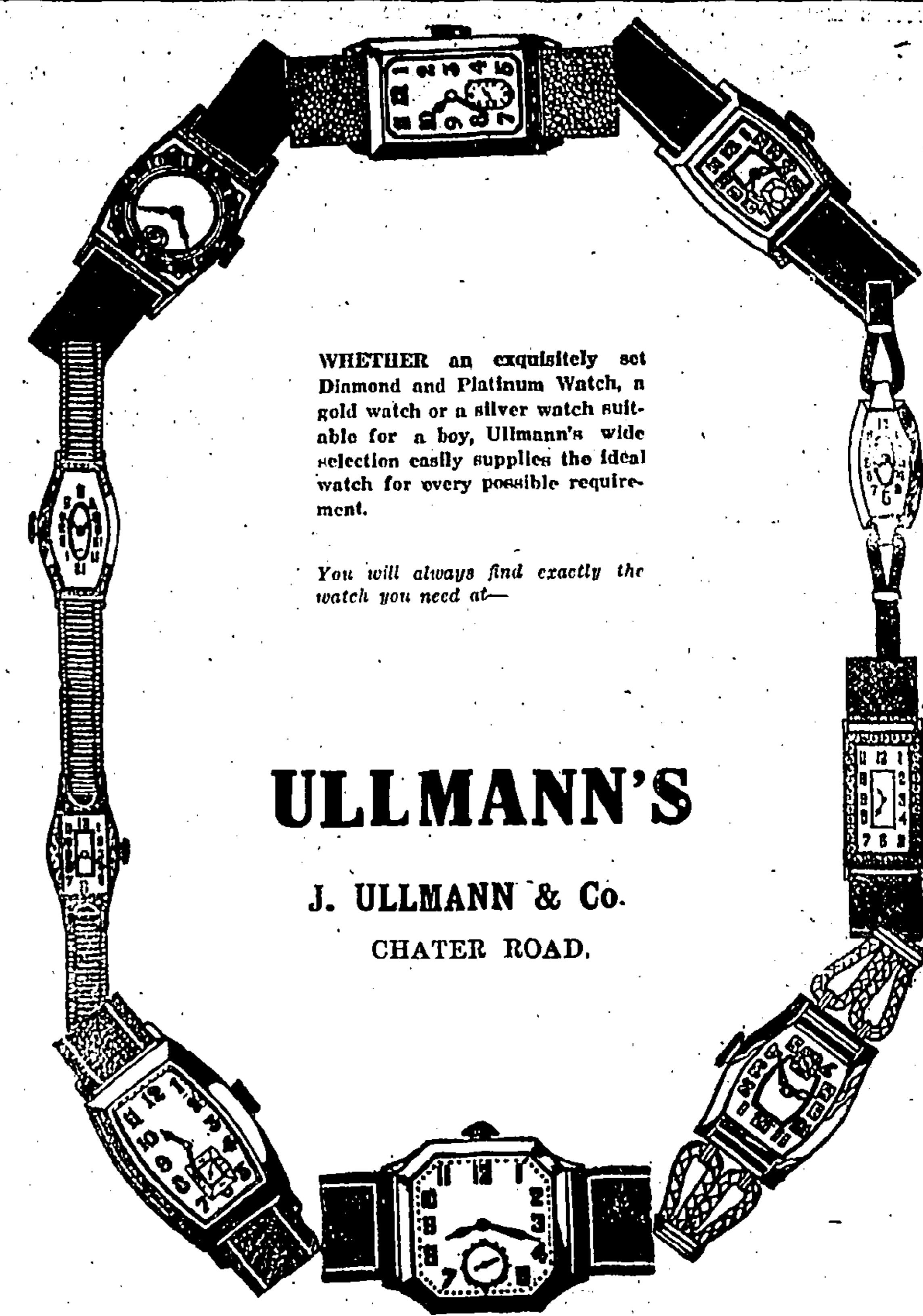
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the Navy was getting the ball away very neatly. Atkinson had few opportunities of getting through, but kicked well to touch on occasion, and passed well when pressed. In fact, I shall be surprised to see more than six Army players in the United Services side on Saturday. The game against the Club "A" fifteen was altogether productive of better rugger than the earlier game.

Scoring in the second game came from David and Nicholson in the first half, Crawford converting the first try. In the second half, Koop was nearly in, but the Navy came back after being panned in their own territory for a time, and Fox fielded a long kick, ran down the field, only to be tackled; then three or four Navy forwards dribbled the ball down, and Chambers picked up to run in well and score against the post. Nicholson put in an easy kick to convert.

The Navy continued to press, and several scrums near the Club line nearly led to a score, but a penalty kick gave some relief to hard-working forwards. The Club made ground from this point, and a movement on the left went across from Koop, who made valuable ground, to Kilby, who sent to Peers. Peers ran inwards to dodge several Navy players and score under the posts, and Lee converted a good try.

The Navy came back afterwards, and, after Atkinson had found touch well in the Club twenty-five, Chambers got over again though Woods could not convert. Just before time, when the Club had pressed and made ground, a penalty kick was well taken by Lee, who kicked a very good goal just before the "no-side" whistle was blown.



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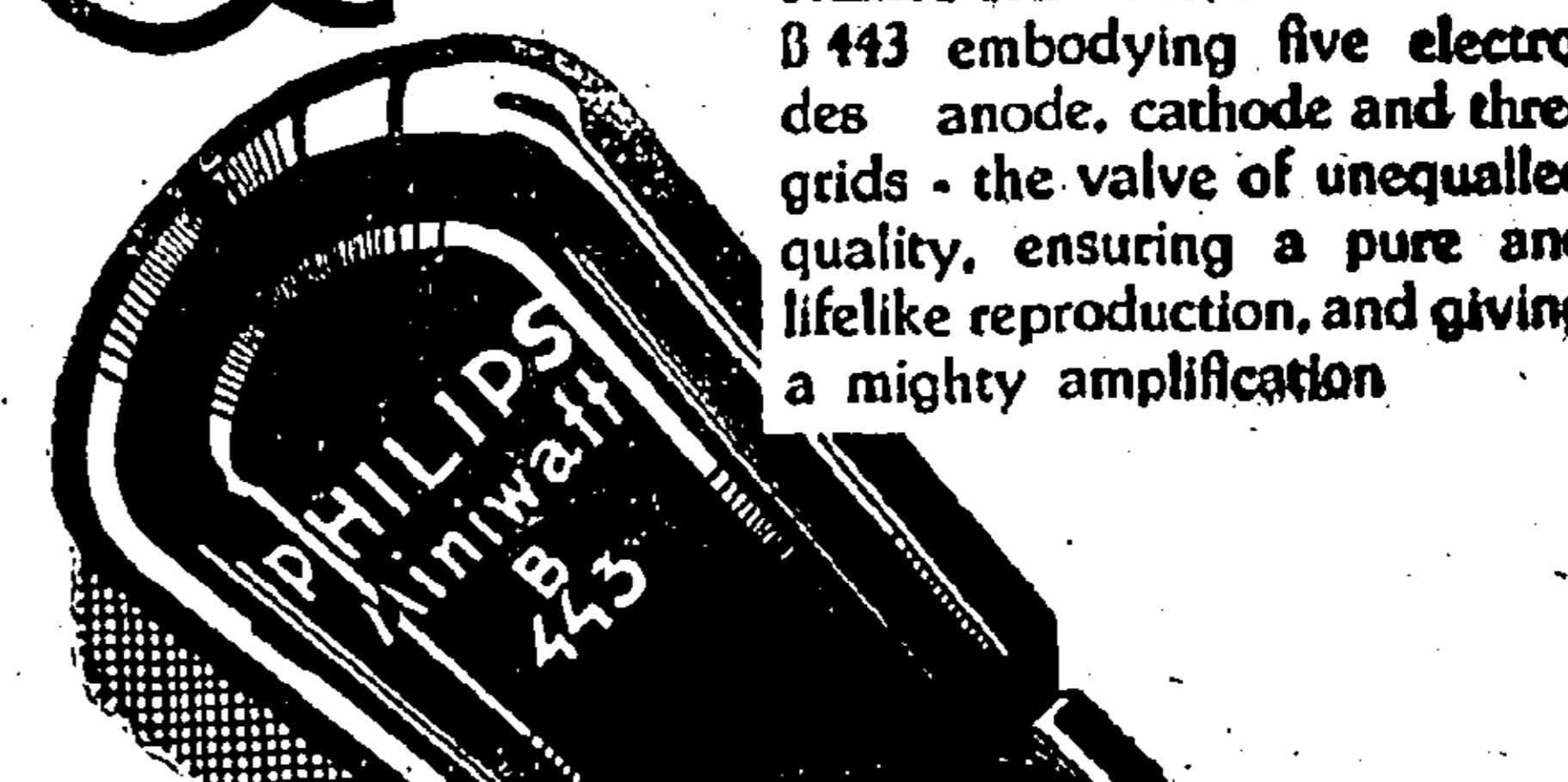
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Kowloon Football Club Ground on
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To represent 2nd Eleven versus
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OFFICIAL RECEPTION AT CLUB LUSITANO.

HIS Excellency Sonhor Dr. Armando Navarro, Minister for Portugal, was honoured by the Portuguese community of Hongkong yesterday, when reception was given to him at the Club Lusitano.

Dr. Armando Navarro, who was accompanied by Mr. Cerveira d'Albuquerque e Castro, Consul General for Portugal, and Lieut. Abreu, was met by Mr. Silva-Netto, President of the Club Lusitano, Mr. Loo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., President of the Club do Recreio, Mr. F. E. D'Almada Remedes, President of the Associação Portuguesa do Socorros Mutuos, Mr. J. A. de Almeida, President of the Liga Portuguesa and their respective members of committees, and was conducted to the main hall. Upon the arrival of the party at the hall, the band played the Portuguese National Anthem.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. E. J. de Figueiredo, Mr. A. A. Mello, Mr. J. M. Castro Basto, Mr. A. Basto, together with Messrs. D. J. P. Lopes, Fred Xavier, S. A. Lopes, A. E. S. Alves, J. M. Alves, M. A. Figueiredo, A. C. Botelho, S. F. Plana, J. R. Barradas, B. M. Cunha and A. W. Roza, and members of the committees of the various Portuguese institutions.

A most cordial welcome was extended by His Excellency by Mr. Silva-Netto, who in a brief speech, wished H.E. the Minister all prosperity and bon voyage.

Mr. Cerveira d'Albuquerque e Castro also spoke in eloquent terms of H.E.'s career and on behalf of the Portuguese community of Hongkong presented him with a silver cigar case.

H.E. the Minister suitably acknowledged the gift and thanked all those present for their good wishes and felicitous expressions.

NANNING'S PLIGHT.

CANTON RESUMES AERIAL BOMBARDMENT.

Canton, Dec. 8. Apparently due to a breakdown of the discussions between a section of the Kwangsi Commanders headed by General Wang Shao-hung and the Nanking Government for a surrender of the Kwangsi insurgents, preparations are again on foot at Wuchow by the Cantonese air forces to launch another general attack on the Kwangsi stronghold at Nanning from the air.

Two Cantonese aeroplanes left Wuchow on Friday for Nanning and other cities occupied by the Kwangsi armies on the upper West River and at Nanning the planes dropped six bombs within the precincts of the city, killing several scores of the Kwangsi defenders. On their return trip the planes passed Linchow, but made no attempt on the Kwangsi rebels' fortification there.

PARTNER COMMITTED.

CHARGES OF FORGERY AND EMBEZZLEMENT.

Au Shun-hing, managing partner of the Lai On Company, charged with embezzlement and forgery, was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions by Mr. Williams at the Central Magistrate yesterday afternoon.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall (for the accused) made a final submission urging that nobody was defrauded by the effect of putting the firm's chop on a cheque for \$6,100 issued by Messrs. Gerin, Dreyard & Co., which formed the subject of the forgery charge.

Other charges on which the Magistrate considered the accused had a case to answer before the jury were misappropriation of two sums of \$2,600 and \$1,600.



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FORMER PRIDE OF OCEAN AFIRE.

EMPERESS OF SCOTLAND IN SERIOUS PLIGHT.

London, Dec. 10. The former passenger liner Empress of Scotland, of 25,000 tons, which arrived at Blyth, Northumberland, last week, to be dismantled, caught fire during last night and its total destruction is feared.

The outbreak is believed to have been caused by a fused electric cable.

There is some danger of the fierce blaze exploding the fuel tanks, although three fire brigades on land and four tugs are pouring water into the ship. The firemen are wearing masks, and despite the risk are boarding the vessel to cut more completely to work on the flames.—British Wireless.

THE COTTON SLUMP.

ORIGIN OF EGYPTIAN REPORT.

Cairo, Dec. 10.

The Government's rumoured intention to close temporarily the cotton futures market, arose apparently from the Government's belief that the fall in cotton prices was due to bear operations, but experts attribute the fall in the price of sahellaridis to the fact that two million kantars of sahellaridis are now at Alexandria enough to meet the whole normal requirements of the season, while two thirds of the sahellaridis crop has not yet arrived; but the ash-moum cotton is moving off satisfactorily and the price is being relatively well maintained.—Reuters.

ALL NOT QUIET AT A FILM SHOW.

FURTHER DEMONSTRATION BY BERLIN CROWD.

Berlin, Dec. 10.

A demonstration against the film "All Quiet on the Western Front" last night, led to repeated collisions with the police, who were obliged to charge the crowd with rubber truncheons and fire warning shots. Two constables were injured with stones.

The Nazi member of the Reichstag, Doctor Fabricius, was arrested for obstructing the police, and there were thirteen other arrests.—Reuters.

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DISTRICT WATCHMAN CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.

Evidence of a brutal assault was given by a ticket-collector employed at the Taiping Theatre when appearing before Mr. Williams yesterday in assault proceedings against a district watchman, named Lo Tak-kwong.

For the complainant, Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton said that police people of the defendant's type were in the habit of going into the Taiping Theatre, and it was suggested that the incident from which the present proceedings resulted, was the outcome of a refusal by the complainant when the defendant sought free admission into the Theatre with two friends.

Yuen Poon deposed that he was a ticket collector at the Taiping Theatre, having been employed there for six years. He had been to enter the Theatre on many occasions, the last being a month ago when he came with two friends. Because these two men had no tickets, they were refused admission by the Theatre folks.

Recently, as witness was passing the Yip Loi Restaurant in Queen's Road West, he saw Lo appear down a staircase. Said witness: "He must have followed me, for when I got as far as the Ying Yuen eating house, he again came within view.

"He wanted to search me, and I had to put up my hands. He took a pocket book and having looked at it, returned it to my pocket. He did the same with a newspaper I had in a side pocket.

"Next he caught hold of me by the collar and, exclaiming that I was a cheeky fellow and would have to be killed for it, proceeded to jab me repeatedly with his truncheon. I was being knocked into a dizzy state when a man intervened who pointed out that it was wrong for Lo to act that way, that if I had done anything against the law, the right course would be for Lo to

take me to the Police Station.

"Lo rejoined that he was out to kill me, even if he had to spend the remainder of his years in prison for it. The assault was resumed with blows inflicted with the hand as I was being taken to the Station. He also kept jabbing me with his knees as we went along, followed by a big crowd.

"At the Station the Inspector, after hearing my complaint, sent

SANITARY COOLIE ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

EVIDENCE OF ROBBERY NOT CONCLUSIVE.

A sanitary department coolie, Lau Lam, was the defendant to a charge of robbery with violence, stated to have occurred in the Causeway Bay district on October 3 last. The case was before Mr. Lindell, Mr. Leo D'Almada, snr., appearing for the defence, yesterday.

Chan Loi, coolie employed at the Electric Power Station at North Point, said he lived in a hut on the hillside above Taihang Village, which is in the Causeway Bay district. On the night of October 3, at 10.15, he was on his way to a tenement, when, in a side street behind a glass factory, he was stopped by three men.

One of these three men, whom he recognized as the man now in the dock, demanded to make a search. He gave the impression that they were police officers. Having taken a roll of coins worth \$3.60 from a pouch hanging to a girdle which witness was wearing, this man struck witness a sharp blow in the chest which knocked him over.

When he regained his feet, the three men had taken to their heels, disappearing out of sight despite a chase.

After cross-examining witness regarding visibility and other points, the Magistrate observed that the evidence was not such that any jury could convict, and he discharged the accused.

Witness was then asked to

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A delightful concert was given by the Matriculation students of St. Joseph's College in the College hall yesterday evening, as a farewell by those who are leaving the College, having completed their courses of studies.

Comprised of quite a number of items, the programme was full of spice and humour, and was heartily received by the large gathering. Perhaps the best number of the evening was that provided by the Hawaiian Trio. Another number which came in for a good deal of applause was "Our Darkies Revel", in which three songs were very well rendered. The full programme was as follows:

Overture:—The Student's Parade.

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"Kotto Misie" Dance. I. Tjon. Our Darkies Revel. Nolasco, C. Xavier, G. Ribeiro, Mehal.

Nigger's Drill.

Scene from Julius Caesar. Brutus by L. Tjon. Cassius by F. Lim.

The Hawaiian Trio. C. Xavier, F. Abraham, and Ed. Alves. A Dance Number. L. Tjon. The Secret of the Trunk. G. Castro, Gutierrez, Lenz, Arome, Remedios.

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The case was adjourned. Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the defendant.

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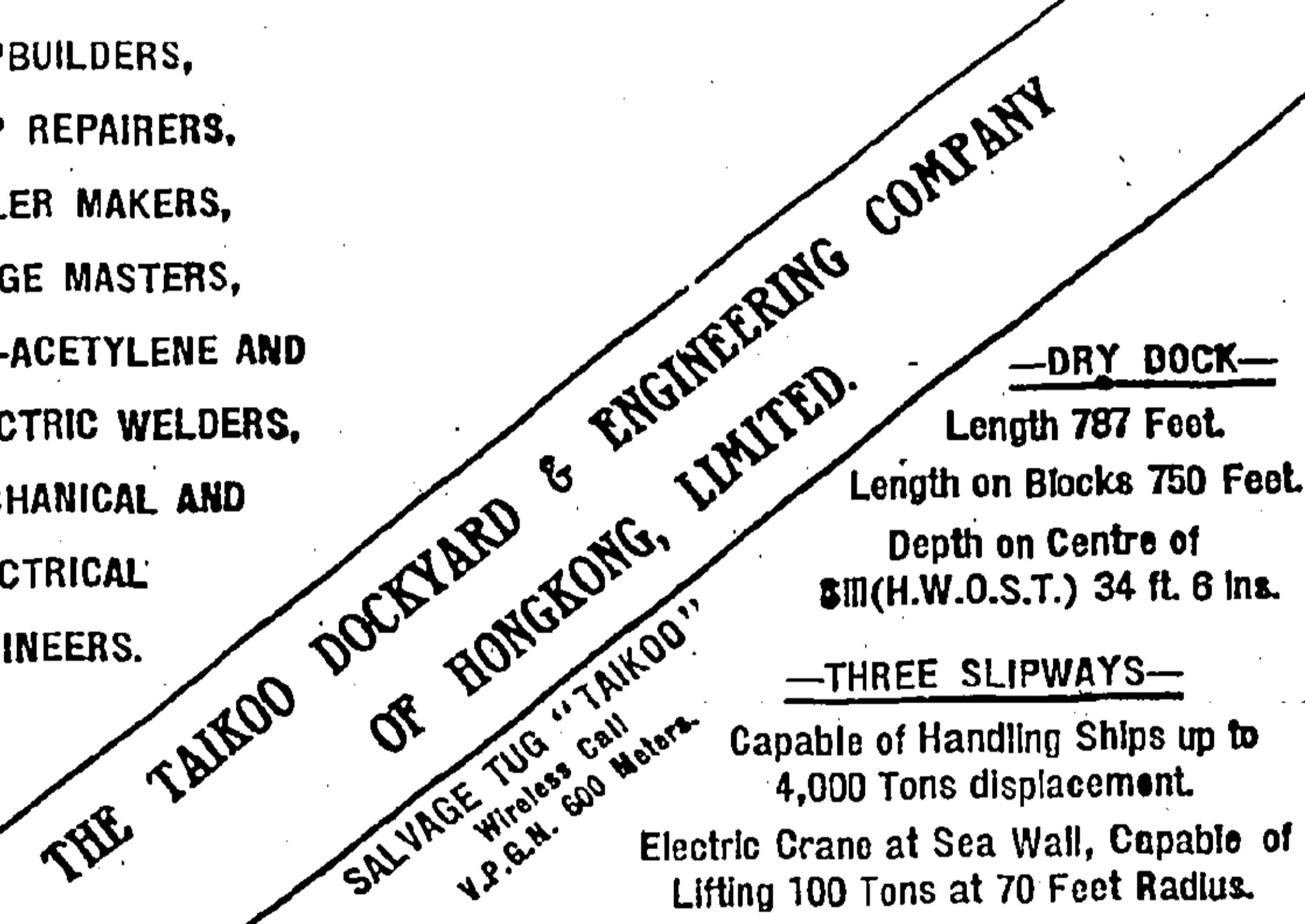
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AN INTERNATIONAL PACT LIKELY.

THE QUESTION OF THE COAL MINING INDUSTRY.

London, Dec. 10. A considerable measure of agreement has been reached in the discussions of the last two days between the Secretary for Mines, Mr. Shinwell, and representatives of the Polish Government on a proposed international convention on working hours in coal mines. The Polish representatives have accepted the view put forward by Mr. Shinwell that any agreement between the British and Polish Mining Industries, to be of advantage to Britain, must include Germany. Mr. Shinwell promised that he would endeavour to secure a preliminary conference between British, German and Polish owners as soon as possible.

British Reorganisation.

Sir Ernest Gowers is to be the chairman of the Coal Mines Reorganisation Commission, set up under the Coal Mines Act, to further the reorganisation of the mining industry and promote amalgamations among undertakings when this is in the national interest.

Sir Ernest Gowers is vacating his present post of Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue to preside over the Commission. He was for many years Permanent Under Secretary for Mines.—*British Wireless*.

THE P. & O. ANNUAL MEETING.

LORD INCHCAPE ON THE BAD OUTLOOK.

London, Dec. 10. Lord Inchcape, presiding at the annual meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., said he had never known trade to be so bad as in the past few months.

Disturbances in India, conditions in Australia, the civil war in China and the severe fall in the sterling value of the dollar and rupee, had seriously affected shipping.

A total of 368 British ships, of a tonnage of 885,000, were laid up on October 1. Prospects for shipping were far from bright.

The Company's ships for the past year had run three quarters of a million miles less than in 1929. Cargo had fallen by a million tons. Passengers and animals carried had each dropped by fifty thousand.

He concluded by dwelt on the necessity for a reduction of taxation and of production costs.—*Reuter*.

AUSTRALIA LOOKING TO GOLD.

MORE PRODUCTION AND A PROPOSED BONUS.

Canberra, Dec. 10. Moving before the House of Representatives the second reading of the Gold Bonus Bill, providing for a bonus of a pound sterling per ounce on all gold produced in Australia in excess of the average yield for the years 1929/30 and 1930/31, Mr. Forde, the Minister

DISARMAMENT PROGRESS.

THE PROSPECTS OF A FULLER PACT.

London, Dec. 10.

The Preparatory Commission on Disarmament, after over four years of intermittent labour, last night completed its draft convention. Into this framework the World Disarmament Conference, when it meets, will be invited to insert effective proposals for disarmament.

The Commission also approved a detailed report explaining the evolution of each of the clauses and the reasons for reservations attached thereto.

During the speeches, Lord Cecil laid particular emphasis on the point that the scheme, as drafted, contemplated no finality. The first Conference and first advance were only a prelude to greater advances later. They had created a piece of machinery which he believed to be of the greatest value to the cause of disarmament.

Within the framework of the Convention the Conference would be able to carry out any degree of disarmament whatever.

They were going to bring into existence an international organ whose duty it would be to watch over what they had done, and press forward continually to further advances. Although the next word was with the Council of the League of Nations, the last word would be with the peoples of the world.

The Preparatory Commission had given them in the Draft Convention a great opportunity. The world could be disarmed if the people wished it. The question they would have to solve in the next few months was, did the people wish for disarmament? Only they could answer that question.

Something Accomplished.

Under the heading "Something Accomplished," the *Times* in a leader says it is easy to deride the Commission because in fact the nations of Europe have increased rather than diminished their armaments while its labour were proceeding. But for that, clearly the envoys and experts at Geneva are not responsible, and the various Governments at home have at least had the excuse that until some general plan was approved each had only to consider its own position.

That excuse is now withdrawn. The first step has been taken. The League has drawn up a scheme by which disarmament may be achieved equally and simultaneously, and has established criteria by which each country may know that the reduction made by others is equivalent to its own. Those who remember the early discussions in the preparatory Commission and the complete divergence of opinions on the first principles, must now feel that in spite of excursions and alarms elsewhere, the co-operative principle has made some real progress.—*British Wireless*.

without portfolio, said that in past crises gold had proved Australia's salvation. She was again looking to gold to extricate her from her economic dilemma.

Steps would be taken immediately to extend the operations of the Australian gold mines.—*Reuter*.

The operation of the Bill is limited to five years, and the contributions to an average of £15,000 a year.—*Reuter*.

RUBBER TRADES TO CONTRIBUTE.

LEVY TOWARDS RESEARCH ASSOCIATION.

London, Dec. 10. The text is issued of the Rubber Industry Bill, providing that all rubber manufacturers in the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland shall contribute a sum not exceeding one twenty-fifth of a penny per pound, in respect of all rubber they use, in order to place the British Rubber Manufacturers' Research Association on a sound basis.

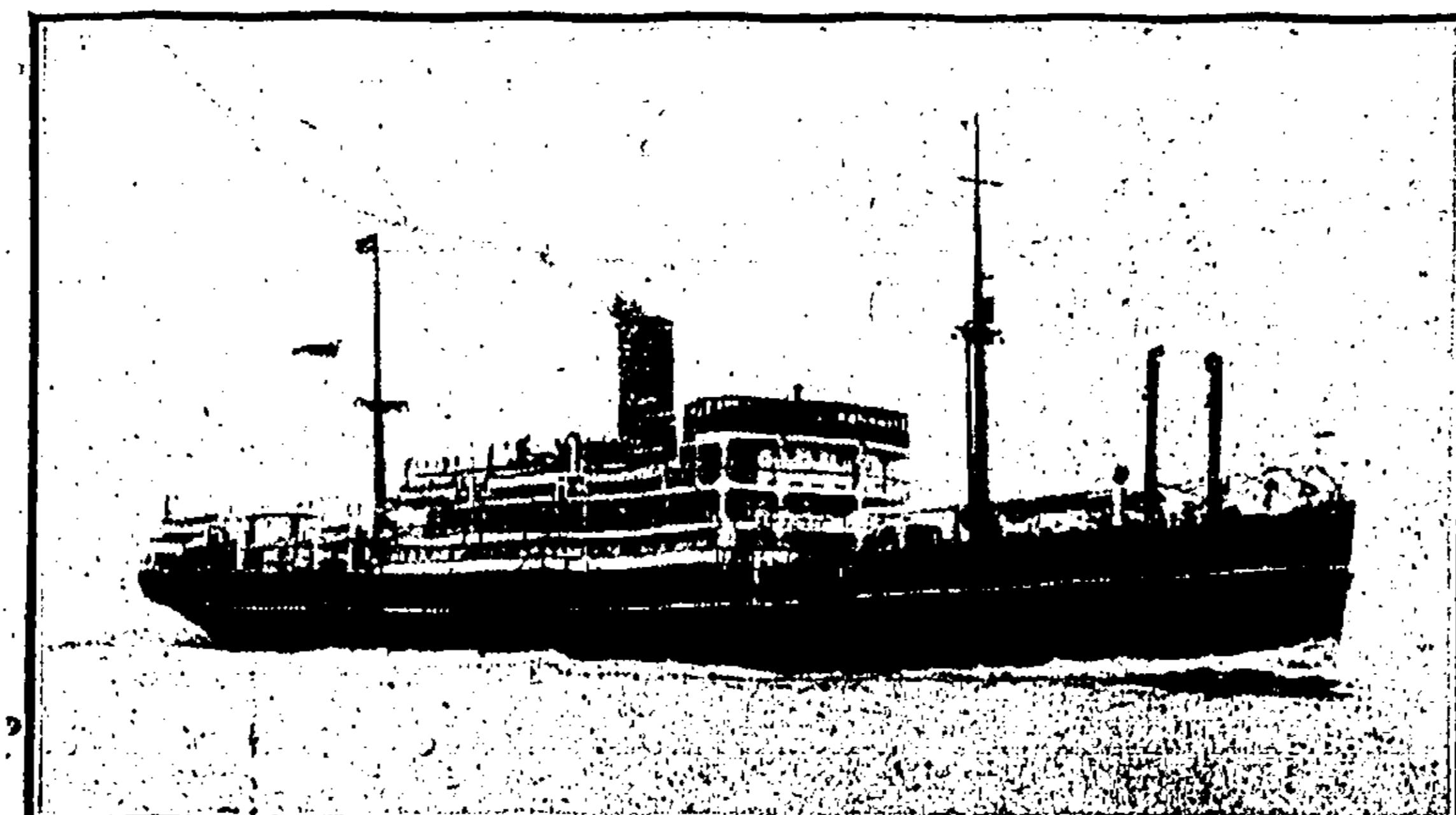
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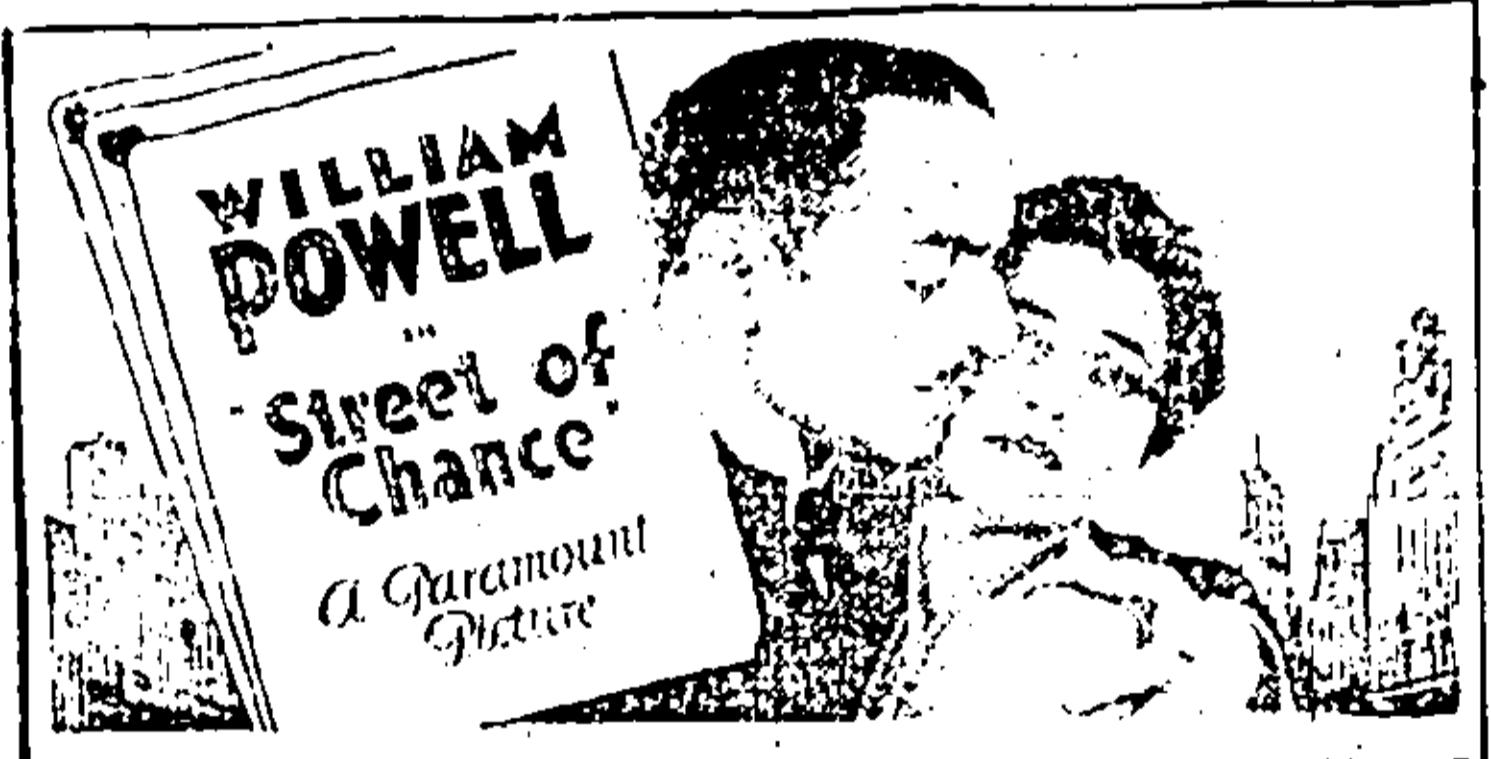
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BID FOR CHINA'S SUGAR TRADE.

NANKING REJECTS CUBAN COMBINE'S OFFER.

STILL PERSEVERING.

Shanghai, Dec. 11. It is understood that powerful Cuban sugar interests recently proposed to the Chinese Government a 20-year sugar monopoly in China, whereby Cuban sugar should be exempt from Chinese import duty, the Cuban combine and the Chinese Government equally sharing the profits expected from the heavily increased consumption.

It is reported that the Chinese Government has rejected the scheme, pointing out that in 1929 China imported 750,000 tons of sugar valued at Tls. 100,000,000, bringing in a revenue of Mex. \$15,000,000, and they consider the proposal would not increase revenue.

Furthermore, the sugar duties are likely to be considerably increased under the new tariff of 1931, especially white sugar, which it is expected, will be doubled.

It is understood that the Cuban interests are now proposing the initiation of a sugar refining industry in China, as a joint Government enterprise. Cuban interests providing G. \$20,000,000 capital. — *Reuter*.

EXPORT QUOTAS.

Brussels, Dec. 10. The German delegates to the Sugar Conference to-day announced their intention of seeking an increase in their annual export quota from 200,000 to 800,000 tons.

Meanwhile, the Belgian Parliament has adopted Bills increasing the customs duties on imported sugar and lowering the excise duty on domestic sugar.

Mr. Chadbourne, addressing the Sugar Conference, as representing both Cuba and America's interests, pointed out that the Javanese producers had provisionally agreed to reduce exports.

He appealed to the other delegations to apply restrictive measures, and suggested that each delegation should appoint two members to reach an understanding on general principles. He also proposed the formation of a committee to collate world statistics and a further committee to consider means of reducing stocks.

Mr. Chadbourne was in favour of a Permanent Commission to meet quarterly to supervise the enforcement of agreements, and to study means of increasing world consumption of sugar, for which purpose a world fund should be constituted. — *Reuter*.

A telegram from Samarang dated yesterday, received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co., states:—Trust to-day after accepting yesterday's bids 22,000 tons Whites and 12,000 tons Browns, refuse to sell further. Want bids again for reference to Holland evidently pending Conference results.

A further telegram from Samarang, dated to-day, states:—Trust declined offers, limit not disclosed. See no reason for any decided advance.

PRINCE'S PROGRESS IN SPANISH.

COMPLIMENTED BY GUESTS IN LONDON.

London, Dec. 11.

The Prince of Wales' progress in Spanish was strikingly demonstrated in a speech which he delivered at a dinner given in his honour at the Savoy Hotel by the Argentine Club.

"The grammar and accent were splendid," declared many Spanish guests and the Prince only occasionally glanced at notes. He turned from Spanish to English and vice versa several times with the utmost ease.

The Prince's linguistic efforts ought to contribute largely to the success of the British Trade Exhibition at Buenos Aires in 1931, which is the first entirely British Exhibition ever staged in a foreign country. — *Reuter*.

MYSTERY SHIP IN CHANNEL.

ABANDONED FRENCH BARK DISCOVERED.

Paris, Dec. 5.

A sea mystery strangely recalling the famous case of "Mary Celeste," the greatest sea-puzzle of history, is reported from the Channel Islands where Jersey fishermen brought into harbour an abandoned French two-masted bark which had been found derelict off La Roque with not a soul aboard but in a perfect state with a candle alight in the cabin on a table on which had been served supper for two but was found untouched.

CLAN DISORDERS AT ABERDEEN.

RESERVOIR WORKERS IN BRIEF BATTLE.

HOKLO AGGRESSORS.

The bad feeling which springs up every now and again between the Hoklos and the Hakka was exemplified in an incident occurring yesterday at some time on a new reservoir. Most of the workmen belong to these two clans, and trouble has several times occurred.

Amongst recent developments, police stated to-day, have been a strike resulting from misinterpretation of an order posted up on a wall. Next dispute over division of work, then the climax yesterday when a Hoklo "belle," carrying a load of earth, was molested by a Hoklo, who threw a stone and insulted her.

This appears to have set clanish sentiments ablaze. Immediately there was a rush of Hoklos and Hakka to the spot. A few blows were struck, but the matter was prevented from attaining serious proportions by the timely arrival of the police from the local Station.

This was brought about when the Hakka, contented for the time being to abide by the law, resorted to their police whistles. There was a sustained blast which alarmed the Hoklos and made them turn tail when they were breaching to the attack.

Police arriving on the scene saw no fight; what they did witness was over a hundred demoralised Hoklos scurrying down hill, discarding bamboo poles as they ran. In their wake followed two Hakka still sounding a chorus on their whistles.

Of the ten men whom the police took to the Station after the affair were two who were said to have evinced a very lively disposition. The one was seen to wave and urge his Hoklo brethren on to the attack, while the other was seen to dive into the nearest marshes from which he produced armfuls of bamboo poles to arm his kinsmen. These dispositions naturally attracted official attention, and they prominently figured in Police Court proceedings before Mr. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Accused of disorderly behaviour, the first man said:—I did wave my hands, but only to say: Brethren, do not fight. A Hakka foreman who gave evidence, did not refer to the alleged incident concerning the Hoklo woman. His version of the origin of the trouble was that while at work on the dam, the Hakka who were on a higher site dropped earth on to Hoklos below. There was an altercation, he declared, but no fight. The Hoklos rushed at them with bamboo poles, whereupon the Hakka returned to police whistles, the police arriving before serious blows were struck.

The Magistrate observed that the evidence made it pretty clear that the Hoklos were the aggressors. The Hoklos had in fact gone uphill to attack the Hakka, and so perhaps it was hardly fair to punish the Hakka.

The prosecuting Police Officer agreed, while pointing out that the difficulty was to pick out the Hakka who first started on the woman.

The two Hoklos amongst the number of defendants in Court were discharged. Two men proved to be the ringleaders in the attack were each fined \$25 or two weeks in default. Three other Hoklos were fined \$5, or seven days, two discharged on account of lack of evidence, while the ball of another who failed to turn up in Court was estreated.

THE SINO-SOVIET PARLEY.

NO CHANGE IN NANKING ATTITUDE.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.

A telegram from General Mo Teh-hui, head of the Manchurian delegation now attending the Sino-Soviet Conference, at Moscow, asking for the permission of the Nanking Government for leave to return to China for about six weeks, has been received by Mr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister, who has sanctioned the request.

In a statement to Chinese newspaper correspondents, Mr. Wang said this morning that the negotiations between the Chinese and Soviet delegations would continue during the absence of General Mo, whose health necessitated his return.

The Foreign Minister stated that the Nationalist foreign policy towards the Soviet Government had not been changed concerning the demand for negotiations first on the settlement of the C.E.R. dispute and on other Sino-Soviet problems later.

YAUMATI MURDER DIFFICULTY.

IDENTIFICATION PROBLEM FOR POLICE.

WITNESSES AFRAID.

A difficulty has been encountered by the police authorities in their efforts to bring to book the murderer of Detective Tse On, who was killed by suspected Communists at a Chinese Restaurant at Yaumati on Monday night. While three of the five men arrested and held in custody are in the class officially labelled as "detainees" a difficulty has arisen in connexion with the question of identification.

Conversant with the fears of native witnesses, particularly in case where an organised body of desperadoes is involved, Police officials were not confident of any marked success when they put the three suspects on parade yesterday.

"They would not even look at them," said a police official, when seen by a *Telegraph* reporter this morning, in commenting on the attitudes of some six or seven witnesses who were called upon to attend the parade.

The position is that the Crown case regarding the slaying of the detective, relies largely on the solitary witness of the incident, a waiter at the restaurant, who declares his inability to identify the murderers.

It is understood that the three men on whom the strongest suspicions rest, will be put up for punishment in due course. "In the circumstances, there can be no question of charging them before the Court," a police official states. It may be added that the informer who is said to have lured the officer to his death is not amongst the suspects taken into custody.

RAILWAYMEN FIND DEMAND REFUSED.

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Railwaymen, in an interview said: "In my judgment the demands of the companies are absolutely absurd in the length to which they go. I was simply astonished when a copy of the proposals was placed before me and at once said, as I say now, that neither these demands nor anything like them could possibly be accepted by this Union."

Mr. J. Bromley, M.P., secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, remarked: "The railway companies present to us claims for the breaking down, not only of the wages but the conditions of service of railwaymen, that would take them back in working conditions to thirty years ago. If the claims of the companies, or anything like them, are attempted to be forced on to the members of my Union, nothing in my opinion, can prevent a battle. As far as I am concerned I am going to allow this to be a soldiers' battle, and my executive will keep our members continually posted as to the position, and I have no doubt whatever as to what their answer will be."

There is no need to assume, as yet, that any serious trouble will ensue. The men know the position of the companies and there will be ample opportunity for negotiation. No crisis will arise yet. If one were to arise—and neither side desires it—it could not be till all the existing machinery has been tried.

JARDINE STEAMER IN GALE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Today by almost an entire new set. This appears to be the only damage done to the ship, which is very well found, and was thoroughly battered down during the blow. Even at that water managed to find its way into one or two of the Chinese passenger cabins, and the occupants had to move. The only passengers on board in the foreign cabins were a German lady and a gentleman who have travelled over most of the world before meeting an experience like the Fooching's.

For a ship that had been through what was probably one of the worst blows on the China Coast, and was thought at one time by its officers to be a "goner," the Fooching yesterday looked remarkably trim, except for some of its paintwork. The only wireless message sent to Shanghai during the trip was one that read "severe gale, 2 knots." The ship's usual speed is 11 knots.

MORE CUBAN RIOTS.

New York, Dec. 10. A message from Havana states that fresh rioting has broken out in several parts of Cuba; one person being killed and several wounded. — *Associated Press*.

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